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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. WAS. ETAL. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R. RENYTEL JANUARY TWELVE LAST. MRS. BERTHA I HISS. THREE NAUGHT TWO EAST PARK AVENUE, CHARLOTTE, AUNT OF ALGER HISS, ON INTERVIEW TODAY ADVISED THAT IN NINETEEN TWENTYNINE WHILE VISITING SISTER-IN-LAW. MISS LUCY HISS, TWO NAUGHT SIX UPNORROAD, HOMELAND, BALTIMORE, MD., ALGER HISS CALLED FOR BRIEF VISIT AND THAT SHE HAS SEEN HIM ONLY ONCE SINCE THAT TIME APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS AGO WHILE VISITING SAME ADDRESS AT BALTIMORE. SHE HAS MAINTAINED NO CONTACT WITH ALGER HISS OTHER THAN THESE VISITS EXCEPT FOR A CHRISTMAS GEETING CARD WHICH SHE RECEIVED FROM HIM TWO OR THREE YEARS AGO WHICH SHE BELIEVED WAS HANDWRITTEN. SHE WILL EXAMINE HER PERSONAL EFFECTS TO LOCATE THIS CARD. IF POSSIBLE. AND IF TYPEWRITTEN, WILL ADVISE IMMEDIATELY. MRS. BERTHANHISS IS IN POSSESSION OF TWO TYPEWRITTEN LETTERS DATED SECOND AND SEPTEMBER THIRTY, FORTYEIGH NAUGHT SIX UPNOR ROAD, BALTIMORE, WHICH SHE DUE TO PRESENT SERIOUS ILLNESS OF LUCY AND EXPECTED DEMISE. INFORMED THAT LUCY IS APPROXIMATELY NINETY YEARS OF AGE AND OWNS SMALL PORTABLE TYPEWRITER ON WHICH THESE LETTERS WERE WRITTEN AND

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WASHINGTON, DC, ADVISED THAT MISS CATHERINE WHITE, COLONIAL BEACH,
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January 13, 1949 DATE:

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS

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At 11:25 a.m. today, Special Agent Kenneth Delavigne of the Washington Field Office telephonically advised that Jesse S. Megers, an employee of the War Department who was interviewed for approximately two hours yesterday by Agents of the Washington Field Office, reportedly died in his sleep last night. Mr. Delavigne stated that Rogers was interviewed at his office in the War Department on the afternoon of January 12, 1949, by Special Agents Robert McCaslin and Paul Tierney. According to the Agents, Rogers was obviously not furnishing the information he had in his possession and to almost every pertinent question he would reply that he could not recall. The Agents, upon taking their leave, asked him to make every effort to recall the answers to the questions that they had asked him. He stated he would do so and arrangements were made to reinterview him today.

In connection with the interview of Rogers, it is noted that Whittaker Chambers was interviewed on December 8, 1948, at New York City. He advised that while functioning as a courier for the Communist Party underground the was introduced to William Ward Pigman, probably in 1936. Subsequent to meeting Pigman in the latter part of 1936 or early 1937, Pigman began furnishing Chambers documentary material from the Bureau of Standards. This activity on the part of Pigman continued, according to Chambers, until April, 1938. William Ward Pigman was subsequently interviewed by Bureau Agents and denied engaging in any activity as alleged by Chambers and denied knowing Chambers. It is noted that Pigman is presently employed as a Research Chemist in the American Paper Institute, Appleton, Wisconsin.

Subsequent investigation of Pigman conducted on the instructions of the Department determined that Jesse S. Rogers was an employee of the Bureau of Standards and closely associated with William Ward Pigman in the early 1930's. One of the individuals interviewed to date in Washington, D. C., concerning Pigman's previous associates at the National Bureau of Standards advised that to he attended discussion meetings at Pigman's residence in Washington, D. C. The of both Pigman and Rogers were radical. DECORDED - 991 EX 1374-

ACTION:

The Washington Field Office has advised that discreet inquires will

be made to determine whether Rogers committed suicide and the Bureau fall be kept currently advised with respect to all developments concerning his death;

ADDENDUM: Mr. Delavigne of the Washington Field of the Called in at 1:25 p.m. and stated that inquiry controtted by the Baltimore Office had reflected that Mrs. Rogers had called the Montgomery County, Maryland Police Department at 7:05 a.m. this morning stating that she found her husband dead in bed.

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Montgomery County Police called the coroner who ordered the body taken to the funeral home. There it was ascertained that Rogers had died of coronary occlusion.

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Los Angeles, California January 12 - 1949

Director, FBI

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al. Re: PURJURY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R; ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

Re New York teletype to the Bureau, Washington Field and Los Angeles dated January 7, 1949, in which the Los Angeles Office was requested to obtain a picture of JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN so that it could be displayed to WHITTAKER CHALBERS.

The records of the Yellow Cab Company, 1408 W. Third Etreet, Los Angeles, California, contain one small photograph, front view, of JOHN L. SHERMAN which was taken in January, 1943. The original photograph was obtained and a copy of it in its original size and an enlarged copy were made. One small photograph and one enlarged photograph are being forwarded with this letter to the offices indicated below.

The records of the Yellow Cab Company reflect that when JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN made application for the position of driver, he furnished the following personal background information:

> Age Born October 19, 1895, New York City Height 51711 Weight 155 Nationality American Eyes Gray Hair Brown Complexion Ruddy Address 1126% N. Alexandria, los angeles Social Security No. Social Security No. 550-12-5528 ECOMPED ar 13874-13 Relatives Viife - ALLA SHERMAN Father = DAVID (not living)

> > Brother - WILLIAM; sister - SYRA Kisseloff-3725

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

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ATTORNEY GENERAL

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated, December 22, 1948, in which you were furnished information concerning Laurence Duggan.

During the interview with Duggan by agents of this Bureau on December 10, 1948, Duggan stated that he was approached by two individuals to furnish information for the use of the Soviets or the Communist International, when he was employed by the State Department. One of these persons was Frederick Vanderbilt Field. He stated that Field was a classmate of his at Harvard and he recalled that Field approached him for this information some time during the years 1936 or 1937. He stated he could not recall the words used by Field in this connection but stated there was no question in his mind as to the meaning of Field's words. He advised that he turned down the proposition made to him by Field.

On December 30, 1948, Frederick Vanderbilt Field was interviewed at New Hartford, Connecticut, and he stated that he desired to consult his attorney prior to making any statements. He advised that he planned to consult with his attorney early the following week and would then contact the New York Office of this Bireau relative to discussing this matter.

Field was interviewed on January 3, 1949, at his office in the presence of his attorney, Harold L. Cammer, a partner of Nathaniffitt. At the outset of the interview, Field requested to be furnished with a complete transcript of the interview made by agents of this Bureau with Laurence Duggan on December 10, 1948. When the agents refused to furnish him with this transcript, Field advised that upon advice received from his attorney, he had prepared a statement which reads as follows:

"On Sunday, December 26, 1948, Attorney General Tom C. Clark, during a television interview, stated, according to the press of the following day, that Laurence Duggan had informed the F.B.I. that he was approached ten years ago "by two persons" in connection with an alleged Communist espionage ring, but that he had repulsed them both. The Attorney General did not identify the two persons further. The matter of identification was left to Drew Pearson, who during his regular Sunday night broadcast that same night, alleged that Laurence Duggan had informed the F.B.I. that some woman and myself were these two persons. This was the first I had even heard of these charges. After the information, which Laurence Duggan is alleged to have given the F.B.I. concerning me had thus been given nation wide publicity, necessarily with F.B.I. connivance, two agents of the F.B.I. and indicated upon me at my home in New Hartford, Connecticut, on December 30, 1948, and indicated

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that they wished to question me regarding the alleged information concerning me which had been attributed to Laurence Duggan. I arranged to meet the agents of the F.B.I. at my office in New York City on January 3, 1949, at 4:30 p.m. At that time I requested them to permit me to see a transcript of the alleged statements concerning me which they attributed to Mr. Duggan. This they refused to do. In view of my conviction that Mr. Duggan could not and did not make statements concerning me of the character and innuendo leaked by the F.B.I., in view of the refusal of the F.B.I. agents to disclose in context the statements concerning me which are attributed to Mr. Duggan, and in order to avoid any misunderstanding or distortion such as has apparently been generated in this case, I prepared this statement which I delivered to the agents at the meeting referred to. Laurence Duggan was for many years a personal friend of mine. We were classmates at Harvard, in the class of 1927. roomed in the same group and were both officers of our class. After college we kept up our acquaintance by seeing each other occasionally. Our relationship was one of long term friendship nothing more. I do not and cannot believe that Mr. Duggan made the statements concerning me which the F.B.I. has, by leaks and indirection, accused him. I deny categorically any implication that I was at any time involved in any form of espionage, that I violated or attempted to violate any official secrets, or that I attempted to obtain from Mr. Duggan confidential information of any sort. I regard the action of the F.B.I. in the circumstances as grossly improper and most unfair."

After the interviewing agents perused Field's statement, they advised Field that no leak had been made to Mr. Drew Pearson by this Bureau. Field advised that his prepared statement would be his only comment concerning this entire matter.

I thought you would be interested in the above information and I want to point out to you that, of course, no information of any kind has been made available to Mr. Pearson by any representative of this Bureau.



December 20, 1948 `

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

INVESTIGATIONS

Two Men

Two men were being swept along last week by an onrush of events which were now well beyond their control—or the control of any other individual. They were two men of more than ordinary intelligence—well educated, quiet men caught in what one of them described as a "tragedy of history." Their paths first crossed



CHAMBERS
A simple answer...

13 years ago; but their separate stories began much earlier: one in a commercial artist's household in Philadelphia, the other in a dry-goods merchant's respectable home in Baltimore.

The Profonist. Whittaker Chambers was born in 1901 in Philadelphia, the elder of two sons of Jay Chambers, who made a precarious living as a commercial artist. The family stock was a mixture of Dutch,

Whit aker was three, his family moved to Lynbrook, L.I., where Mrs. Chambers raised chickens and vegetables to piece out the family income. As a child, Chambers slaughtered fowl and peddled vegetables. He was a boy of insatiable curiosity who

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Rockville Centre, and then, rather than go to college, which his mother wanted him to do, went south to look for a job. He got one in Washington working on the street railway tracks. From there he went to New Orleans, found no job at all.

Broke and hungry, he returned home, listened to his mother's advice and set out for Williams College. Already a cynical, worldly young man, he took one look at what he recalled later as "those young collegiate faces," stayed one night and decided to try Columbia University in New York. He was there two years. He wrote poetry, edited the literary Morningside, and shocked the campus by bringing out a blasphemous, so-called "Profanist" issue in which he wrote a story dealing "objectionably" with the Resurrection. A student committee invited the editor to resign. He left college and went off to Europe.

"Grease the Guillotine." He found Germany bankrupt, its economy collapsing. One night in Berlin he heard a Communist mob marching under his window singing: "Grease the guillotine with the fat of tyrants... Blood must flow." It seemed to him that Western civilization was dying.

The U.S. to which he returned was celebrating the Jazz Age; and drinking bootleg gin. Chambers' brother Richard, to whom he was deeply attached, committed suicide. He visited Richard's grave one winter day and found it covered with ice. He wrote: "The cold earth holds him round, a sheet of ice is over his face. My brother has no more the cold rain to face."

Intellectually and morally frustrated, looking for a creed, he read the entire Socialist writings of Sidney & Beatrice Webb, discarded them as unpractical. One of his young Columbia friends put a copy of the Communist *Manifesto* in his hands. To Chambers, it was an awakening.

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The Evil Thing." He was to explain later to the House Un-American Activities Committee how Marxism could appeal not only to the bitter young intellectual but to more or less sheltered middle-class persons as well. They were attracted, he said by the very vigor of the project." They were attracted, he said by the very vigor of the project. They have the will be underprivileged, for economic crises, for the problem of war. They say: What shall I do? At that crossroad the evil of things.

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means to a clear and simple end. In 1924, he joined the Communist Party in New York. For the next 14 years, as he admitted later, he lived a lie—a disloyal citizen plotting against his country.*

He was a find for the party—a faciturn, even secretive man, an awkward, fiery writer, a self-taught linguist who read and spoke German, French, Spanish and Italian. He wrote for the *Daily Worker*, became its foreign news editor, finally (while



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Cartoonist Robert Minor was listed at the top of the masthead) became its editor in fact. On the side he did translations. Two of his translations (from the German) were Franz Werfel's Clariffe union and Felix Salten's Rando. In 1979, disturbed by reports of Stellie heavy-handed tactics and stories of the first party purges, he quit the Worker and in defiance

All through the propos the conficient Americans thought of American Communists, as being critical of the U.S. but not actually installed to it. The U.S. had recognized Russia, had not yet recognized that all Communists' allegiance is to Moscow, that they are therefore disloyal citizens of every non-Communist country. No major U.S. political leader, from F.D.R. to any of his political opponents, ever suggested that the Communist Party be outlawed. It was a legal party, then—and still is today (although some states bar it from the ballot).

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of party discipling lit out for the Midwest. He did not abandon Communism, however, and returned to New York. He had met and married a young labor organizer and painter named Esther Shemitz. They set up housekeeping in a poverty-stricken tenement on the East Side.

His great effort now was on proletarian fiction, published in the Communists' intellectual organ, the New Masses. His stories, full of romanticism and melodrama, were a summons to violence. Moscow was enraptured, cited him as "the first writer to introduce the Bolshevik into

American writing."

The Man in the Linen Suit. In 1932 the party ordered him to go underground -in other words, wipe out his identity and become a secret agent, a spy. His wife cried; he himself was reluctant. But like any good Communist, he obeyed. The New Masses' Whittaker Chambers vanished. A man known simply as "Carl" appeared in the Red "cells" and in the innermost circles of the Communist underground. He buried his identity so successfully that some of his accomplices thought he was a Russian; one of them was positive that he was a Russian ex-colonel. The little boy who had peddled vegetables in Lynbrook became a skillful and consecrated agent of a Communist "apparatus."

One of the apparatus' assignments was to infiltrate the U.S. Government with Communist Party members. One day in Washington, in the summer of 1935, a dumpy little man, feeling self-conscious in the first white linen suit he had ever worn, confronted a tall, well-dressed young Government attorney. The little man was Whittaker Chambers; the other was Alger

Hiss.

The Bright Star. Alger Hiss was born in Baltimore in 1904, the fourth of five children of Charles Alger Hiss, whose father had been a great admirer of Horatio Alger. Alger's father, a wholesale dry-goods merchant, committed suicide when Alger was three years old. Later, one of his sisters also took her own life.

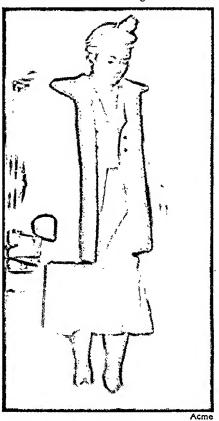
The Hisses lived in a respectable Baltimore neighborhood. Young Alger peddled spring water to the neighbors and raised and sold squabs. He went to camp in Maine, attended P.S. 14, a city high school, and finally entered Johns Hopkins

There, a quiet, good-looking young man with an easy charm, he shone with a luster that is still remembered. He ran on the track team, headed the dramatic society, edited the campus daily, became colonel in the R.O.T.C., belonged to the best fraternity, won a Phi Beta Kappa key and was voted "most popular, best handshaker, best all around."

Said the yearbook: "Alger must be the most cultured and learned bozo in this neck of the woods. Many and various are He discussions that we have had with 1. In. Many and various the topics-they range from Soviet to style, from liberty to liquor, from guelphs to Goodnow [Frank J. Goodnow, then president of Johns Hopkins]. And like Socrates we admit our ignorance in the force of his irresistible logic and rhetoric."

After he graduated, Hiss went to Harvard Law School. There he was on the staff of the Harvard Law Review. Hiss's star continued to rise. He studied under Felix Frankfurter, graduated cum laude, and went to Washington to serve for a year as secretary to the late great Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Path of Honor. After three years of private practice in New York and Boston. Hiss went back to Washington as an as-



MRS. HISS Birds along the Potomac.

sistant general counsel in the AAA in Henry Wallace's Department of Agriculture. There he attracted the attention of Senator Gerald P. Nye, who was just starting his munitions investigations. Hiss served as a legal assistant through that sensational probe, then moved over to the Solicitor General's office.

By this time he was married and living quietly in Georgetown. His wife was Priscilla-Fansler, a Quaker, the daughter of an insurance man. She was known as "Prossy." She had lived on Philadelphia's "Main Line" and had graduated from Bryn Mawr in 1924. She had worked as a copy arla-been

Anthony. They were an attractive, retiring couple, although some people thought Hiss's manner arrogant. The Hisses were usually the first to leave a party, preferring the company of a small circle of friends, or merely each other's company at home, reading or listening to music, or taking bird walks along the Potomac. Alger was an amateur ornithologist.

This was the path of apparent probity and honor which crossed Whittaker Chambers' path on that summer day in 1935. Chambers was to testify later that Hiss was already a member of a Washington Communist cell, that he and Hiss became fast friends, and that subsequently Hiss, with the help of Mrs. Hiss, began feeding secret Government documents into the Communist apparatus. Hiss was to deny the whole accusation with cold contempt. He and Prossy knew Chambers, he said, but only as a free-lance writer named "George Crosley" who had come to him to write an article on the Nye Committee.

General Secretary. Alger Hiss's ascendant star did not pause. In 1936 he went into the Department of State, where he worked under Assistant Secretary Francis B. Sayre, first on the Trade Agreement Act, then in the offices of Far Eastern affairs and special political affairs. In 1944 he served as executive secretary at the Dumbarton Oaks conference which laid the foundation for the United Nations.

In 1945, he went to Yalta with Franklin Roosevelt and helped draft the agreements which came out of that conference. Later that year he was general secreta at U.N.'s founding conference at Sai Francisco. Conferees unanimously commended him for the way in which he directed proceedings and managed the agenda. He was given the honor of carrying the U.N. charter to Washington for deposit in the Federal Archives.

Charges Denied. There were some vague stories about him. Secretary of State Byrnes was disturbed by reports that some Congressmen were going to accuse Hiss of being a Communist. Byrnes asked Hiss about it, told him the charges centered "from the FBI." Hiss went to the FBI and denied the charges categori-

They cropped up again. In 1946 Hiss was proposed as president of the \$10 million Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, whose major objective now is informing the public about U.N. John Foster Dulles, Thomas Dewey's adviser on foreign affairs, and one of Hiss's backers for the Carnegie job, asked him again about the charges. Again Hiss categorically denied them. He was elected to the job, which was enough to cap any public servant's career.

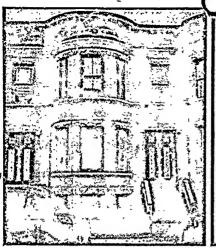
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NATHAN LEVINE

munism. He had learned what all men learn sooner or later, that the agents of the Kremlin are assassins not only of men's bodies but of their minds and hearts. In fear and revulsion he quit the party. He was to testify later that he had tried to persuade Alger and Prossy to pull out with him, that Prossy indignantly rejected the idea, that Hiss had wept but had refused.

Chambers and his family, his wife Esther and their children Ellen and John, went into hiding. "I was a faceless man," he said. He moved in a shadowy world of terror, carrying a gun. Finally he emerged cautiously from the shadows to begin a new life. In 1937 he had bought a small farm near Westminster, Md., which Hiss himself had once thought of buying.

As quietly as they could, the Chambers family settled into this haven. Chambers began his way back through the profession he knew best. He ventured into New York's literary world, did some research, reviewed some books and in April 1939 was hired to review books by Time.

The Informer. To some of his colleagues, his fear of Communism seemed a morbid preoccupation, a kind of King Charles's head. He was valued, nevertheless, not only for his firsthand knowledge of Communism but for his outstanding skill in writing and his wide cultural background. He had also become a genuinely religious man: a Quaker.

In 1939, a little while after he came to Time, he went to Adolph Berle, then Assistant Secretary of State, and disclosed to him the names of certain men who he said were Communists working in the government. He gave the same information, in two interviews, to the FBI. Last summer, he made his dramatic tale public before the House Un-American Activities

Committee.

But on none of these occasions did he say anything about the packet of stolen State Department papers which he had stashed away after he broke with the Party. When he brought forward his dusty bomb from Brooklyn, he raised a whole

new clamor.

In the midst of that clamor last week,
Chambers resigned as a senior editor of

TIME. "When TIME hired me in 1939," he wrote in his statement, "its editors knew that I was an ex-Communist; they did not know that espionage was involved... After nine years of work done in good conscience, I have been called upon to expose the darkest and most dangerous side of Communism—espionage. This can be done only if a man who knows the facts will stand up and tell them without regard to the cost or consequences to himself. I cannot share this indispensable ordeal with anyone."

Time accepted the resignation, neither judging nor pre-judging his recent disclosures. "Against the admitted disservice to his country of a decade ago," said Time, "must be set the service we are convinced he is trying to perform for his country now."

The Final Lines. This week Alger Hiss resigned his \$20,000-a-year Carnegie post. Legal proceedings, he said, "will occupy almost all of my time for some weeks to come." The trustees tabled the resignation

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Julian Wadleigh A log cabin in Virginia.

and gave him a leave of absence with pay for three months.

Meanwhile Hiss clung staunchly to his impeccable role. If Chambers had lied, then Hiss had been incredibly maligned and made the victim of a monstrous slander. If Chambers spoke the truth, then Alger Hiss had led an almost incredibly clever double life. The two of them could do little more now than stand to one side, speaking their final lines, spectators more than actors in their own drama.

Three Rings

As if it were not complicated enough in itself, the Hiss-Chambers case had become a legal three-ring circus.

In the first ring was the House Un-American Activities Committee, which opened the case last summer when it subpoenaed Whittaker Chambers, heard him confess his past complicity and charge that Alger Hiss had also been a Communict

After weeks of examining witnesses, the committee had more or less dropped the case, without having developed sufficient evidence to prove whether Hiss or Chambers was lying. But Alger Hiss did not drop the case. After Chambers repeated his charges over radio's Meet the Press program. Hiss filed a \$75,000 libel suit against Chambers in Baltimore's Federal Court. This was the second ring.

In the third ring was a New York federal grand jury, sworn in 18 months ago to investigate spies and subversive activities.* It had paid little attention to the Hiss-Chambers case, although it had heard testimony from both men last summer. After Chambers had produced the stolen State Department documents and after the House committee had obtained the "pumpkin papers," the grand jury moved in rapidly. On orders from Attorney General Tom Clark, U.S. Attorney John F. X. McGohey summoned Chambers and Hissagain, along with Hiss's wife, his brother,

Party members on sparges of conspiring to adencate-theroverthrows of the U.S. Government by force. Their trial after four delays, is now set for Jan. Kisseloff-3732

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and a parade of other witnesses and new suspects.

The Nub of the Matter. The grand jury and the House committee each truculently proclaimed its authority, competed for witnesses. Committeeman Richard Nixon said angrily that a whitewashing was in the making in the grand jury.

But the public had a right to think that the case was getting somewhere, that it was now in appropriate hands. Everyone could hope and expect that the case would be tried and decided by due process of law and the first step in that process was action by the grand jury.

Beyond any shadow of doubt was one fact: that documents had been systematically stolen from the State Department. By whom? And for how long? Over & above the questions of Chambers' truthfulness and Hiss's innocence or guilt loomed the still dark answers to these larger questions.

"Holy Cow!" At week's end new light had been thrown into some murky corners.
One witness who appeared before the

Chambers' cache of stolen documents was brought to light in two sections. On Nov. 17, while giving a deposition in the libel suit in Baltimore, he presented 47 exhibits (consisting of 65 sheets of paper). Of these, 43 were typewritten copies of State Department dispatches; four were handwritten memoranda (three in the handwriting of Alger Hiss—see cut—a fact which Hiss has not denied, though he denied giving them to Chambers. The "pumpkin papers" are the second part of the cache. This consisted of three metal capsules containing five rolls of microfilm, of which two rolls were developed and three undeveloped construction out of Chambers' pumpkingly House atomatic out of Chambers' pumpkingly House atomatic investigators on the night of Dea.

House committee was Nathan Levine, a New York attorney and a nephew of Mrs. Chambers, who said he had been the innocent custodian of the papers for the past ten years. In 1938, he said, Chambers had given him a large manila envelope to keep, instructing him to open it if anything happened to Chambers and his wife. "You are a lawyer, and will know what to do," Chambers had said.

One day last month, Levine continued, he received a telegram from Chambers: "Arriving Sunday at 10 o'clock. Have my things ready." Levine said he was not sure what Chambers meant. When Chambers arrived, he reminded Levine of the envelope. Together they went to Levine's mother's house at 260 Rochester Avenue, Brooklyn, where Levine had hidden the envelope on top of an unused dumbwaiter shaft. Levine testified that Chambers blew



"A WHALE OF A HERRING"

It was hard to let go.

the dust off the envelope, opened it, glanced at the contents and exclaimed: "Holy cow! I didn't think this still existed." Chambers then took the envelope back to his Maryland farm.

Man in a Cocoon. Two more men entered the case. Both had been accused by Chambers as having given him papers from Government offices. One of them was William Ward Pigman, former employee of the Bureau of Standards, now a chemist with the Institute of Paper Chemistry at Appleton, Wis. He was questioned only by the grand jury; in a public statement he denied the charge.

The other was Henry Julian Wadleigh, As. former State Department economist. Jan, son of an Episcopolar laster, Jahrer of three small childre. Wadleigh lives in a still unfinished log and he is building in Vienna,

Va. After questoning by the grand jury, the committee subpoenaed him, hammered him with questions but got nowhere. He said he was not a Communist, but he refused to answer almost all other questions on the grounds that it would "tend to incriminate or degrade me."

This week the jury's term would expire. But a new jury, already called, would take over immediately. If the old jury failed to reach any conclusions—i.e., hand down any indictments—it would be the new jury's duty to press its search into the last and farthest corner of the mystery.

The Durable Herring

Repeatedly during the campaign, President Truman had charged that the House committee's investigation of the Hiss-Chambers case was nothing but a red herring to divert the voters' attention from campaign issues. But in view of the shocking new evidence, reporters trooping into Truman's press conference last week wondered what he would say now.

One of the first questions was whether the President thought that all arms of the Government should now be devoted to finding out who stole the "pumpkin papers" from the State Department. Why, certainly, the President replied, with an expression indicating that he thought the question was silly. Well, had he given any instructions to the Justice Department? The Justice Department, the President replied, had standing instructions to enforce the law. But it had no specific presidential instructions on the Hiss-Chambers case.

From a political standpoint, Truman's previous red-herring charges were understandable. They had been made at a stage when the Hiss-Chambers case was largely a debate between the two men as to



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whether they had ever known one another as fellow Communists. But, a reporter asked, did the President still think it was a red herring? He certainly did, Truman fired back—the Un-American Activities Committee was not prosecuting anybody, it was just after headlines.

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It was clear that Harry Truman was having a hard time letting go Cf-the red herring. Wrote the Christian Science Monitor's Washington chief, Roscoe Drummond: If the latest results of the committee rightly can be called fred herring stuff why is the President even talking about arrests and Justice Department action? The truth is that this is not 'redherring' stuff and the country deserves to have the Administration and the committee dealing with it seriously and soberly, and not with the back of the political wrist."

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Reference is made to the attached teletype from the New York Field Office reflecting the results of an interview with Chambers on January 13, 1949, in which he referred to the original Underground Apparatus operated by Harold Ware and included, among others, Donald Hiss. You inquired, "Is this correct? Does he mean Donald? H."

In the absence of ASAC Belmont this was discussed with Supervisor Al Tuohy of the New York Field Office who stated that he was positive the New York Office was correct in stating <u>Donald</u> Hiss was included by Chambers. To verify this Mr. Tuohy again discussed it with Chambers, who is now being interviewed in the New York Office, and he replied that he did mean Donald Hiss in the discussion of the group operated by Harold Ware. The case file reflects that Chambers previously has stated that Donald Hiss was included in the Ware group. He has also previously named Alger Hiss in connection with the same group.

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January 7, 1949

Niss Louise Morrow
306 Pitney Avenue
Spring Lake, New Jersey
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I have received your letter with enclosure, postmarked January 2, 1949. While I am glad to receive your views concerning the work of this Bureau and my administration of it, your observations indicate that you do not clearly understand the specific nature of our responsibilities. The FBI is primarily a fact-finding agency charged with the investigation of violations of laws of the United States, collecting evidence in cases in which the United States is or may be a party in interest and performing other duties imposed by law. Following a determination of the conclusions, is furnished to the appropriate prosecutive authorities for such action as is deemed advisable.

I can assure you that the FBI has not deviated one iota from its established operational policies which require that information in our files be held confidential and available for official use only. It should be noted that the work of the FBI and that of the House Committee on Un-American Activities follow different patterns as I pointed out in my statement before that Committee on Unrich 26, 1947, a copy of which is enclosed.

Jou may be sure all matters within the scope of our jurisdiction are given prompt and exhaustive investigative attention. It has occurred to me that the material which I am sending you might be of some interest. After reviewing this data and considering my foregoing comments, I trust you will understand more fully the nature of our work.

John Edgar Hoover Director

Sincerely yours,

Director's Testimony, How to Fight Communism, Don't be Duped by the Communists

NOTE: In September 1942, a Miss Louise Morrow whose handwriting is the classifical with this correspondent, wrote a letter to the Bureau in Lad GILLE ging that one Carl Holstein and his family were Un American.

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By George E.

Private Vengeance.

When Laurence Duggan went out of the window, three assumptions were possible: 1. That he was involved in espionage, directly or indirectly, and that he committed suicide; 2. That he was not involved but did commit suicide because his name had been mentioned by association; 3. That he was murdered and thrown from the window. There is still another possible assumption, namely, that he did not commit suicide nor was he murdered, but that he fell out of the window and that it all had nothing to do with the Chambers-Hiss affair or with his having been attached to the State Department.

Neither the police nor the FBI are helpful, but the EBI gives him a clean bill of health, yet does not explain the full nature of its investigation nor why he was investigated at all. The FBI has been silent in these espionage matters for many years under instructions, it is to be presumed. At any rate, it would be more just to the memory of Laurence Duggan if the Department of Justice made itself clearer, so that no one would be suspicious that there is something on Duggan but that it is

The case of Sumner Welles is different. Here a man goes for a walk on Christmas night—very late—in quiet country, across fields and not by road. He either had a heart attack or somebody tried to bump him off—or he simply stumbled on a root. Only Welles can describe the circumstances because he was alone. Immediately those who oppose the activities of the House Committee on Un-American Activities rushed into print or on the radio saying that Sumner Welles was made emotionally unstable by the death of Laurence Duggan. When they said

being suppressed.

that—on Sunday—they could not know it to be true.

Lots of people die of heart attacks—more than 40 per cent of all the deaths in this country. Therefore, it is possible to assume that Mr. Welles had a heart attack and collapsed upon frozen ground. Such an

attack could be without relationship to politics—national or international. It might also have been due to indigestion, over-smoking, or a diabetic coma. Why must things not related to each other suddenly become related to each other?

In fact, those who use Mr. Welles's discomfliture for private revenge do him a disservice, for if they go far enough in their assertions, they may force a reopening of the Welles-Hull quarrel which resulted in Mr. Hull forcing Welles, an undeniably brilliant public servant, out of the State Department.

There is a danger that because of the certainty that spies were placed in the State Department by a foreign country, our enemy since 1917, every individual with a private grudge, a nasty mind, an unquenchable hatred, will, point a vicious finger at the one he dislikes to call him a spy and a traitor. This is a dangerous business and so far as I can tell, and I have studied this problem with unremitting care for more than twenty years, those who are really guilty are pretty well known even if proof is unavailable and conviction well-nigh impossible.

The fact is that this was true in 1934 when the Harold Ware cells were organized; in 1938 when the Dies committee got its fingers on the data; in 1939, when Whittaker Chambers told his story to Adolf A. Berle; in 1941 when they gave it to the Department of Justice; in 1945-46 when the Prime Minister of Canada, Mackenzie King, personally gave it to the President of the United States. No matter how much more is discovered, the names are pretty much the same, with a little addition here and there.

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And this must be understood: What we are dealing with is: 1. Espionage; 2. Neglect of duty; 3. Violation of the oath of office; 4. Condoning espionage and protecting spies to avoid exposure of error in high places. This country has not outlawed the Communist party and being a member of it is neither a misdemeanor nor a felony and can only be made so not by private judgment but by law. This must be recognized if we are not to go haywire

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police got in the ring and announced "All the guys around here special" that Count Downla was banned from wrestling in Cown for the rest of his 'life." "So that's when you quit the game?" "Oh, no. I just took the mask off. I was back there the next week wrestling the same guy, only this-time 'they called me 'Doc' Snell."

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Book Reviews

I said.

"Horsecars and Cobblestones: "Horsecars and Cobblestones" by picture of Jewish life in old New York.

Sophie Ruskay (The Beechurst Press. the extreme conventionality of the old \$2.75) will probably rank as one of people, their fanatical loyalty to their the pleasantest books of reminiscences own families and their noble charity to appear in several seasons. It has to their less fortunate co-religionists. no world-shattering significance, and the unpretentiousness of the style may cause the hasty to underrate it, but its tive in his ideas. It was Mamma who charm and authenticity are irresisthad

It might be called "Life With Mother and Father." It is the record, utterly uncontrived, without glamour, of a happy childhood in the days of Boss Croker, when horses drew the streetcars, steam locomotives hauled the elevated cars, and the roads were paved with convex cobbles to give the horses a foothold.

Mrs. Ruskay's parents came from Russia. By the time she grew up, they had become a fairly prosperous family, the result of hard work manu-

rate petticoats for ladies. knew that ladies in Paris were actuals ly wearing things like men's pants. During the strike in the needle trades it was Mamma who understood that the fight was not against good employers like 'themselves, but the sweatshops, which cut prices by paying a dollar or so for a dozen shirts, made in slum tenements. And when the 1893 panic came, it was Mamm who went to the big cotton firm and

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R. RE REPORT

SPECIAL AGENT MAHLON C. COLLER, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, DATED JANUARY 2017, LAST.

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In connection with an official investigation presently being concucted by the Federal Dureau of Investigation, it will be appreciated if you would attempt to occurs photostable theoretifical copies of the income tax returns for the years 1936, 1937 and 1930 for Felix August Instance and his wife, Elizabeth A. Instance, who curing this period resided at 2113 Galles Avenue, Ealtimore, Maryland.

In view of the nature of this investigation, it will be appreciated if you will expedite the culmission of the copies of these returns.

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The following information was made available to the Bureau by D. Vincent Hurley who received the information from Mrs. Frances Fussell of Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Fussell, who was formerly employed in the Central European Unit in the State Department, is now a member of the technical staff of the Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation. Irs. Fussell was not informed that this information would be furnished to the Eureau, however, Lr. Eurley advised that in the event a further check was desired, it was his belief that she would have no hesitation in furnishing any other details available.

Mrs. Fussell stated that early in the week of December 12, 1948 she had a conversation with a man who is presently employed in the CE Unit in the State Department and with whom she formerly worked. In 1947 she and this man and several others were working on the problem of the Yugoslav ships which had been solved by the United States at the end of the war in the Danube River and which were being withheld from Yugoslavia. The Yugoslavs had made several demands that the ships be returned but the State Department had adopted the position that the ships should not be returned until Russia and her satellites had agreed to the opening of the Danube River to international commercial shipping. She stated that this position had been unanimous in the Central European Unit in the State Department. Fussell recalled that she and the others working on the problem were dimbfounded last October or November (1947) when an order was issued by President Trutan directing that the ships be returned to Yugoslavia forthwith.

According to Mrs. Fussell, no one in the State Department knew the reason for this order until the official with whom krs. Fussell talked had recently had occasion to review the State Department file on this Yugoslay shipping question. was then noted that a penciled memorandum by Alger Hiss appeared in this file. seems that the Yugoslavs, in another attempt to get their ships back, had appealed to the United Nations and the United States official (I balleve the name was Winant but I am not sure) in the United Nations Committee, Hinich had the Wilter up for discussion, checked with the State Department to determine the United States position in the matter. This official telephoned Er. Hiss in the State Hapantrent. Hiss arranged for Acting Secretary of States Dean Acheson, to come in on the telephone conversation. Ur. Achdson outlined to the United States representative at the United Nations headquarters the State Department position to the effect that the ships would be held until Eussia agreed to open the Danube. The penciled memorandum of The Hiss supplifies the second there was a note then written by Hiss to the effect that he was unalterably opposed to the State Department position and that he would do: all An his point to see that it was changed

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The next document noted in the file was a copy of the letter which President Truman had signed ordering the ships returned to Tugoslavia. This letter was prepared by Alger Hiss.

You are instructed to promptly interview Mrs. Fussell at Swarthmore, Pennsylvania for any additional data she may have concerning this particular incident and also for any relative data she may have concerning instant case. A check of the State Department file concerning this particular incident is being made by Bureau Liaison.

cc: New York

MEMORANDUM

Re: Alger Hiss

On December 15, 1948 I received the following information from Mrs. Frances Fussell of Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, who is a member of the technical staff of the Soint Committee on Foreign Economic Cooperation. Mrs. Fussell formerly was employed in the Central European Unit in the State Department.

She stated that early this week she had a conversation with a man. (who is presently employed in the CE Unit in the State Department and with whom she formerly worked. In 1947 she and this man and several others were working on the problem of the Yugoslav ships which had been seized by the United States at the end of the war in the Danube River and which were being withheld from Yugoslavia. The Yugoslavs had made several demands that the ships be returned but the State Department had adopted the position that the ships should not be returned until Russia and her satellites had agreed to the opening of the Danube River to international commercial shipping. She stated that this position had been unanimous in the Central European Unit in the State Department. Mrs. Fussell recalled that she and the others working on the problem were dumbfounded last October or November (1947) when an order was issued by President Truman directing that the ships be returned to Yugoslavia forthwith.

According to Mrs. Fussell, no one in the State Department knew the reason for this order until the official with whom Mrs. Fussell talked had recently had occasion to review the State Department file on this Yugoslav shipping question. It was then noted that a penciled memorandum by Alger Hiss appeared in this file. It seems that the Yugoslavs, in anothers attempt to get their ships back, had appealed to the United Nations and the U.S. official (I believe the name was Winant but I am not sure) in the United Nations Committee, which had the matter up for discussion, checked with the State Department to determine the United States position in the matter. This official telephoned Mr. Hiss in the State Department. Hiss arranged for Acting Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, to come in on the telephone conversation. Mr. Acheson outlined to the U.S. representative at the United Nations headquarters the State Department position to the effect that the ships would be held until Russia agreed to open the Danube. The pencified memorandum of Mr. Hiss summarizes this conversation and there was a note then written by Hiss to the effect that he was unalterably opposite the State Department position and that he would do all in his power to see that it was changed.

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The next document noted in the file was a copy of the letter which President Truman had signed ordering the ships returned to Yugoslavia. This letter was prepared by Alger Hiss.)

The dates used in this memorandum may not be exactly accurate. However, it is assumed that they can be checked if the Bureau is interested in doing so. Mrs. Fussell was not informed that this information would be furnished to the Bureau, but in the event a further check is desired on this incident, I believe she would have no hesitation in furnishing any other details available.

D. Vincent Hurley

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12-20-48

DATE:

MR. D. M. LADD

H. B. FLETCHER

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

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ASAC Belmont, New York, called in at 5:30 p.m. and advised as

follows:

GEORGE HEWITT

Agents of the New York Office today interviewed George Hewitt, who furnished the following information relative to Alger Hiss. Hewitt advised that he met Alger Hiss in 1937 or 1938 at a Party meeting, the purpose of which was to discuss the Negro question and the Communist Party infiltyation into the West Indies. They met in an apartment house near West 21st Street, according to Hewitt. Present at the meeting were J. Peters, Rose Wortis, Jack Stachel, Ted Bassett, Max Steinberg, Bill Lawrence and the two Hiss brothers, Alger and Donald. Hewitt said he could recognize either of the Hiss brothers now. Hewitt further said that he met both Alger and Donald hiss on one occasion in Washington about 1940 on the occasion of an organizational meeting of the National Negro Congress held in the rear of one of the Congress Malls on Pennsylvania Avenue. He said 35 or 40 others were present, including Max (Yergen, James W. Ford, Rose Wortis, Max Steinberg and Bob Campbell. In addition, Alger and Donald Hiss were at the meeting. Alger left after a very short time. Hewitt did not know either of them by name and had never spoken with them. He thought they were CI agents, that is, international agents of the Communist Party whose duty it is to observe at these meetings and report back to Moscow.

Following the interview with Hewitt, he was taken in the Bureau car to the vicinity of West 21st Street to locate the apartment house mentioned above. He advised that the apartment house at 8 West 16th Street is the apartment which he believes was the one where the meeting was held. He was taken into the apartment house and pointed out apartment F35 as the apartment in which the meeting was held. This apartment is presently occupied by R. P. Madge, who apparently moved into the apartment since that time. A further check is being made concerning this.

Hewitt advised that he furnished the foregoing information with the exception of the exact location of the apartment house to Stokes, a Negro investigator for the HUAC last week. He was told by Stokes to report to the Federal Court House on Friday, December 17, for an interview with HUAC representatives. When he arrived, Hewitt noticed the large number of newsmen and photographers and left the Court House but met Congressman McDowell later in the day at the Hotel Pennsylvania where he was interviewed. Hewitt says that by this time he was "fed up" and refused to be sworn in and would make no statement whatsoever to McDowell. He was supposed · reinen-ft ...

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Hewitt advised that in 1937 or 1938 he was approached by Stachel and Steinberg, the latter at the time being organizational director of the New York State Communist Party. They told him they had an "organizational job" to do on somebody. Hewitt understood this to be a strong-arm job. They showed him appicture of this person and this was later identified by Hewitt as Whittaker Chambers, who, according to Stachel and Steinberg, was an undercover FBI agent working in the Communist Party. They told Hevitt that Chambers. would be lured to Buffalo where the job would be done on him. Hewitt advised that later by pre-arrangement he met a girl whose identity is unknown to him at the Albert Hotel on University Place in New York City and was given an envelope which contained \$3,000. He was told to deliver it to Henry Wright, a leader of the Communist Party in Buffalo's Fifth Ward. Hewitt described Wright as an individual with a long Buffalo and Detroit police record, a Negro about 40 years old; grayish eyes, about six feet tall, with slightly protruding teeth. Hewitt had thought he was to deliver instructions but when he found the envelope contained money he would not carry out the job, returned the money to the girl and shortly thereafter broke with the Communist Party.

Hewitt refused to furnish a signed statement without talking to an attorney. He plans to talk to a Mr. Foster of the Civil Liberties Union tonight and will advise tomorrow whether he will furnish a signed statement. A subpoena was served on Hewitt for appearance before the Grand Jury at 11:00 a.m., December 21, by the U. S. Marshal.

Relative to Mr. Fletcher's call of December 19, setting forth that Mr. Alex Campbell of the Department had informed that Hewitt appeared before an INS hearing and had stated that he attended many Communist meetings with Alger Hiss, Hewitt was questioned regarding this statement. He advised that he had completed his testimony before INS hearings prior to the time the Chambers-Hiss case arose. Hewitt said he did not know Hiss by any name at the time of his INS testimony. He advised that he does not recall any such testimony concerning Hiss at INS hearings. He advised further that the meetings described are the only ones where he remembers seeing Alger or Donald Hiss.

MAX YERGEN

Max Yergen was interviewed by Agents of the New York Office today. He advised that he first met George Hewitt in Madison Square Park in August, 1948. At that time, Hewitt introduced himself to Yergen as Tim Holmes and congratulated Yergen on his break with the Communist Party. Yergen advised that he next saw Holmes last Friday when they both appeared before representatives of the HUAC.

Yergen advised further that he first saw Alger Hiss in April, 1945, at

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the San Francisco conference when Hiss was secretary to Stettinius. He advised that he does not know whether Hiss is connected with the Communist Party and does not know the background of Hiss. He stated that when he was interviewed by Congressman McDowell, a Mr. Mandel and Mr. Stokes of the HUAC last Friday he told them that he did not know anything about any connections with Hiss and the Communist Party. He advised that he was not served with a HUAC subpoena but was merely told to stay in readiness.

Yergen advised that in the fall of 1946, Paul Robeson brought into his office at the Council of African Affairs a woman named Kleiner (phonetic). Robeson recommended her for employment. At that time she said she was the sister—in—law of Alger Hiss. She was employed from September, 1946, to early 1947 as a representative of the Council of African Affairs. Her duty was to go to the U.N. each day and write up the happenings for the benefit of the Council. She left to go to work for the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, according to Yergen. Yergen recalled that she lived at 10 Mitchell Place, New York City, with a woman named Edith Atwater. Yergen had no information regarding the background of Miss Kleiner except that he recalled she stated that during the war she was coordinating information for the War Department on information relative to the Balkan States. Therefore, she may have been employed by the War Department. Yergen had no information indicating that she was a Communist.

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MR. TOLSON TO

DATE:

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FROM:

L. B. NICHOLS

SUBJECT:

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Jack Carlisle called from Detroit. He said he

was somewhat disturbed over an editorial The Detroit News

ran which in effect asked if the FBI was being hampered, why first and didn't it do something in the spy cases, that he wanted to ring a column pointing out what the Bureau's responsibility is, that it

is not a policy-making agency, that in the period when Chambers was

securing secret documents there were a group of individuals in the

State Department and in the Government trying to smear the Director, that obviously anything the Director did would be thwarted by this group. Carlisle stated he did not want to embarrass the Director

by such a story.

I told him I saw no basis for embarrassment. He reminded me of the fact that William E. Scripps sent Carlisle to Washington several years ago for the purpose of securing stories on Communists in the Government, that he had a long visit with the Director, that he had never violated any confidence. I told him I did not see where he would be violating any confidence running a story along the lines he discussed, pointing out that the files of other Government agencies are replete with information furnished by the Bureau if the Bureau has not departed from its well-established policies.

'A copy of the editor all which appeared in The Detroit News on January 3, 1949, entitled "Did Anybody Hold Back the FBI?" is attached.

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Rederal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Instice

Detroit, Michigan January 3, 1949

Director, FBI

Attention: L. B. NICHOLS

Assistant Director

Dear Sir:

Attached herewith is the editorial which appeared in The Detroit News concerning which I telephoned you. Other articles of this nature and any other information which I might develop concerning this matter will be immediately brought to your attention.

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Very truly yours,

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Did Anybody Hold Back the FBI?

The House Un-American Activities Committee has left to its final report the disclosures:

1 That, not two but at least 52 lots of secret State Department papers were stolen for Russia during the five years of Whittaker Chambers', connection with the Red spy "apparatus."

2 That a successor to this apparatus remained active at least as late as 1945.

3 That the committee has "no evidence" that the spy ring is not still operating.

On the face of these statements the committee has left its job far from done. It

has left unanswered the main question emerging from them, which is:

Where was the FBI during all this time?,

The FBI is now, as in 1935-39, the agency on which the country relies for safety from espionage. The statements in the committee's report can not help but shake confidence in its past and present alertness.

We know from the few samples published by the committee that documents stolen in the pre-war period were not fakes "planted" to fool the spies. They were the real thing, some so secret that they still can not be published.

We know now that the spying was not a case of a single isolated success, which, being discovered; led to effective counterespionage measures.

We are told that the apparatus operated, during Chambers' connection with it, like "a veritable espionage production line out of the State Department and other Government departments."

We know it operated within two blocks of the FBI's Washington headquarters. We know that, so far as the testimony shows, the FBI first learned of it when Elizabeth Bentley's conscience at last prompted her in 1945 to go to the Justice Department with a voluntary confession.

Indeed, the surface facts suggest that all now known to either the FBI or the committee came to them in the first instance through unsolicited confessions by those involved.

The picture is hardly one to inspire confidence that the spy danger has been licked or will stay licked.

There is an inference, which appears believable, that the FBI was prevented from presenting to the New York grand jury all of the evidence it collected after the Bentley confession. The inference is that the Administration acted to save itself embarrassment.

By extension, it may be theorized that similar influences were at work in 1935-39 to keep the FBI from cracking down on the spy ring. Kisseloff-3781

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Office Memorandum,

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

MR. H. B. FLETCHER

DATE: January 7, 1949

FROM

MR. L. L. LAUGHEIN

SUBJECT:

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al

PERJURY

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ASAC Belmont of New York called at 11:15 A.M. today and stated that the New York Office is of the opinion that Special Assistant Attorney General T. J. Donegan and the other attorneys working on this case should have a complete report setting forth all information which the Bureau has on Hiss. In connection with this suggestion, Mr. Belmont advised that a question arose as to whether the New York or Washington Field Office should prepare such a comprehensive report. Mr. Belmont explained that if New York does it, it will for the most part be quoting information contained in reports submitted by the Washington Field Office since Washington Field has been origin in the Hatch Act and has conducted most of the other investigation of Hiss. Therefore, Mr. Belmont suggested that unless the Bureau had some specific reason for wanting this report prepared by the New York Office, it was his recommendation that it be handled by the Washington Field Office. Mr. Belmont added that the New York Office intends to prepare a similar comprehensive report containing all available information on Chambers. He said that he felt New York should do this since it has as much original information in its files as any other. Bureau field office.

With regard to the 64 documents and the handwritten notes which were turned over by Chambers in Baltimore in connection with the libel suit Mr. Belmont is of the opinion that these should be included in a report. Mr. Belmont said that New York has copies of these documents but the Washington Field Office handled the correlation of these reports with information contained in the State Department records and as a result identified practically all of the documents. Mr. Belmont said that the New York Office has no detailed report or information reflecting this identification and in order to have a complete picture of this he suggested that the Bureau might desire to have the Washington Field Office set forth these documents, together with the identification with State Department affectors, in a report with copies included for the New York Office.

With regard to the microfilm which was loaned to the Bureau by the HCUA Mr. Belmont stated that the New York Office has photostatic copies of this film. However, he has been advised informally that as a result of the FBI Laboratory examination of this film, the Laboratory was able to bring out some indistinct prints. New York would like the result of the Laboratory's work in this regard in order that information concerning these films might also be included in a report.

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Mr. Belmont said that if these suggestions are concurred in by the Bureau, the New York and Washington Field Divisions should be advised by teletype.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is suggested that the recommendations of the New York Office be placed in effect and that appropriate instructions by teletype be issued to the Washington and New York Field Offices.

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MR. WHITSON

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Reference is made to the telephone call of ASAC Belmont at 11:20 a.m. today taken by Inspector Laughlin.

In following up the State Department documents and records, I had Mr. Roach check with Mr. Nicholson of the State Department who advised that photostatic copies of pertinent documents were turned over to Mr. Peyton Ford shortly before Christmas. I checked with Mr. Ladd, secured his authority and phoned Mr. Peter Brown of the Department. I outlined our problem briefly and in a few minutes received a phone call from Mr. Ray Whearty who explained this material had already been taken to New York and Special Agent Spencer of the New York Office had made some comparisons of the documents with the material received from Chambers. He stated if the material was not in possession of the New York Office and in Mr. Donegan's possession it could be secured from him.

I phoned ASAC Belmont, New York, and advised him of the information. He checked and found the documents had been seen by Special Agent Spencer and were in possession of Mr. Donegan. He stated they probably would be available on Monday. He stated he would have copies made of the State Department documents and have them forwarded immediately to the Bureau. I told him when they were received they would be made available to the Washington Field Office so that the necessary report could come through. I also told him that we would forward prints of the HUAC film as developed by the FBI Laboratory. I further told him I would instruct the WFO to prepare a report on the available information on Alger Hiss.

the Was. At 5:00 p.m. I phoned Supervisor Delavigne who is handling the investigation in the Washington Field Office and instructed that they prepare the report on Hiss.

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SAC, Washington

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases, ot al Perjury: Espionage - R' Internal Security - R (Your file #74-94)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Laboratory Report D-89959 BU dated 1-12-19, in connection with the above-entitled matter, a copy of which was forwarded to your office.

There are transmitted herewith the following: Specimens K282 and K283.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON D. C.

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emorandum UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT Director, FBI Attention: DATE: January 11, 1949 TO FBI Laboratory 90078 SAC, New York

Enclosed herewith are specimens of a Woodstock typewriter serial #N253355. This typewriter is presently the property of the KIMBALL PAPER & SUPPLY COLPANY, 75 South Broadway, Yonkers, New York.

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. ET AL;

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The owner of the KIMBALL COMPANY is RALPH C. WEBB and he advised that he will retain this machine until he is notified that we are no longer interested in it. A tag on this machine indicates that it was purchased from WILLIAM JOHNSON, Yonkers, New York, and that JOHNSON purchased it from UNITED TYPEWRITER & ADDING MACHINE COMPANY, INC., 81, 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.

The enclosed specimens should be compared with the known and questioned documents on file with the Bureau and the results should be made known to the New York Office as soon as possible.

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Reference is made to Baltimore teletype to the Bureau and the Washington Field Office dated January 6, 1949.

Pursuant to suggestion in referenced teletype, Special Agents PAUL J TIERNEY and ROBERT W. McCASLIN arranged an interview with Mr. JESSE S. ROGERS, an employee in the Safety Branch of the Chemical Corps, War Department, Temporary Building K, Room 2310.

At approximately 3:10 P. M., January 12, 1949, Special Agents PAUL J. TIERNEY and ROBERT W. McCASLIN entered Mr. ROGERS' office at the above listed address and arranged with him to meet in a vacant office adjoining his for an interview. The purpose of this interview was to ascertain Mr. ROGERS' connection with WILLIAM WARK PIGMAN, a principal in instant case.

Mr. ROGERS stated he became acquainted with WILLIAM WARD PIGMAN and his brother; GEORGE PIGMAN, at the time they were employed in the Cement Section at the Bureau of Standards. He felt this was approximately 1930. He said he worked directly with GEORGE PIGMAN and that he knew him better than he did WILLIAM-WARD PIGMAN. Mr. ROGERS said he visited their homes and that he recalled visiting GEORGE PIGMAN's home subsequent to the war. He said he had no contact with WILLIAM IGMAN subsequent to WILLIAM PIGMAN's return from Germany where it is known that he studied at the University of Leipsig.

Note: ROGERS stated he was not sufficiently aware of WILLIAM PICMAN's background to know definitely of his activities at the Bureau and added he was shocked when he read in the papers the information indicating that PICMAN might have been involved with CHAMBERS.

It seemed at this point in the interview that Mr. ROGERS' comments were less casual and that he was searching more deeply for answers to the questions put to him concerning his relations with the PICHANS. It was noted on numerous occasions that in answer to questions he stated it was difficult for him to recall; that he was interested in knowing if the Bureau had any specific information which might refresh his recollection.

Again in going over the contacts that Mr. ROGERS had with the PICMANS he remarked that he wanted it understood that his meetings with them were of a social nature; that he never met the family other than in the presence of his wife; that he personally did not like WILLIAM PICMAN; that he felt he was a RECORDED RECORDED.

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"sneery" type of person; however, he added that PIGMAN's wife was very gracious and that his wife was fond of her. Mr. ROGERS stated to be exact as to the number of times he contacted the PIGMAN's home he would first prefer discussing the matter with his wife, he felt she would be able to refresh his memory.

Mr. ROGERS was asked if he visited WILLIAM PIGMAN after the latter's return from Germany. He stated he had not and that he had learned of PIGMAN's return only through a friend by the name of CONGER who he stated lived as a neighbor to him in Maryland. Mr. ROGERS did not know CONGER's present address but felt he was connected with some sanitary commission which is presently working in South America.

Mr. ROGERS then mentioned he did recall visiting GEORGE PIGMAN subsequent to the war; however, he could not recall the exact year. He was asked about meetings he might have attended at the PIGMAN home and he replied he could not recall having ever attended any meetings. It might be noted at this point that this question was put to Mr. ROGERS because Dr. HERBERT INSLEY of the Bureau of Standards stated ROGERS had urged him to attend secret meetings which were held at WILLIAM PIGMAN's home in Washington.

Mr. ROGERS hesitated unnecessarily in answering questions about meetings that he was alleged to have had with the PIGMANS. He then said he did recall having meetings at the Bureau of Standards but he explained these meetings as purely get togethers in connection with union activities in which he was interested on behalf of the engineers at the Bureau of Standards. Mr. ROGERS said it was his aim and the aim of several at the Bureau of Standards at that time to raise the status of professional engineers to the elevation of the medical and legal profession. He said he attended no more than three or four of these meetings for this purpose and again stated all these meetings were at the Bureau of Standards. He mentioned speaking at two of these meetings and jokingly remarked that he perhaps at that time looked upon union organizations more liberally than he does today. Mr. ROGERS felt that these above mentioned meetings occurred sometime during 1932 or 1933; however, he could not remember exactly what time of the year. He was asked if he could recall the gentlemen from the Bureau of Standards who were in attendance at these meetings and he said it was difficult but he felt that Dr. INSLEY and the PIGMANs must have been there and said that the only other person he could recall was a Mr. LACY WAGNER who, he stated, was employed by some cement company in the State of Missouri.

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Mr. ROGERS was asked if he recalled ever having attended any study groups or discussion conferences such aswere alleged by Dr. INSLEY. He replied that he could not. He again asked if the interviewing agents could assist him by citing instances or times and when informed that it would be impossible for the agents to do so, he stated he could not recall; that he didn't want to say anything unless he was certain; that he was willing to cooperate, but he felt it would be better if he talked the matter over with his wife; that perhaps she would be able to bring to his recollection some meetings he might have had at the PICMAN home.

At approximately 4:45 P. M., January 12, 1949, Mr. ROGERS was still as indefinite and uncertain about his associations with PIGMAN as he was in the initial stages of the interview and it was deemed advisable to terminate the interview. It was then agreed by Mr. ROGERS and the agents to continue the interview the following day after he had had an opportunity to discuss the matter with his wife. Arrangements were made for Mr. ROGERS to call the Washington Field Office on the morning of January 13, 1949.

At 11:00 A. M. this date and after not having received a telephone call from Mr. ROGERS, the interviewing agents telephonically contacted Mr. ROGERS office and were advised at that time that Mr. ROGERS had passed away in his sleep at 11:00 P. M. January 12, 1949. This information was furnished by Miss GRABENKAM, a secretary in the office formerly occupied by Mr. ROGERS.

The Washington Field Office subsequently ascertained from the Coroner's Office of Dr. FRANK BRASHART, Gaithersburg, Maryland, that Mr. JESSE S. ROGERS died of a heart attack, coronary occlusion, natural causes, on the evening of January 12, 1949. It was determined further that Mr. ROGERS' wife reported this fact to the Coroner's Office at 7:05 A. M., January 13, 1949.

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 13, 1949

SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SUBJECT:

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS.

with aliases, et al

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Re report of SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR dated January 4, 1949, at Washington, D. C.

The VOLKOFF mentioned therein is in all probability identical with ISAAC/FOLKOFF, a Communist Party functionary at San Francisco, California, who has been the subject of extensive investigation by the Bureau since 1940, and concerning whom information is available at New York City and Washington Field Offices. His photograph and description appear in the intelligence albums.

Enclosed for the New York Office are two additional photographs of ISAAC FOLKOFF. It is suggested that these photographs, along with the photograph in the intelligence album, be exhibited to WHITTAKER CHAMBERS to see if he can possibly identify him as the man to whom he passed the money belt.

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Director, FBI

DATE: January 10, 1949

SAC, Richmond

ATTENTION: FBI Laboratory

SUBJECT:

J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al

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Enclosed herewith are two (2) pages of specimens of Woodstock typewriter # N-222310, one page being of all upper-case letters and the other page being all lowercase letters. These specimens, appropriately identified, are for comparison with the known writings of the HISS machine.

The Woodstock typewriter #10-222310 is mow located at the residence of Mr. WALTER HX WHITE, Colonial Beach, Virginia, and was obtained by his daughter, Miss CATHERINE WHITE, from her uncle, Mr. JOHN TRUMBO, of Washington, D. C. Miss WHITE has had the typewriter in her possession for approximately two and one-half years during which period of time, to Mr. WHITE's knowledge, the same has not been repaired. Miss CATHERINE WHITE is now attending the McCoy School of John Hopkins University at Baltimore, Maryland and, therefore, was not available for interview.

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GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

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Your attention is directed to Bureau teletype to all SACs dated January 10, 1949, in the above captioned matter.

Ań exhaustive investigation is being made in neighborhoods where ALGER HISS resided in Washington, D. C. to determine whether any of his former neighbors have any information indicating that HISS was associated at any time with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. It should be observed that AIGER HISS alleges that he knew WHITTAKER CHAMBERS under the name of GEORGE CROSLEY. These neighbors are being interviewed to determine whether they can furnish information corroborating CHAMBERS: allegation concerning HISS in this case. Photographs are being displayed to determine if they can recall having seen CHAMBERS in the neighborhood.

THOMAS SWANN resided at 1237 - 30th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. and was a neighbor of AIGER HASS who resided at 1245 - 30th Street, N. W. from July 1, 1936 through January 4, 1938.

Rebulet to Richmond dated August 5, 1947, regarding SWANN. A review of the indices of the Washington Field Office reflects that SWANN was an applicant for the Central Intelligence Group in August, 1947, and as of that time was residing at City Point Inn, Hopowell, Virginia.

You are requested to locate and interview Mr. SWANN for all information in his possession concerning this case.

For your assistance, I am enclosing two photographs of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, one taken in 1931 and the other taken in 1936. This matter should receive expeditious and prompt attention in compliance with referenced Bureau. teletype.

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. DENVER TEL TWELFTH INSTANT TO SALT LAKE CITY AND EL PASO REQUESTED INTERVIEW WITH CRAIG VINCENT, WHO REPORTEDLY IS NOW IN RENO, NEVADA OBTAINING DIVORCE. NO RECORD OF DIVORCE ACTION FILED BY VINCENT IN RENO, HOWEVER, THESE ACTIONS NOT ORDINARILY FILED UNTIL DAY DIVORCE GRANTED UNLESS ACTION HAS SOME COMPLICATIONS, SUCH AS SERVICE OF SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION, CROSS COMPLAINT BY DEFENDANT, ETC. LOCATE VINCENT IN RENO WOULD REQUIRE EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH OF NUMEROUS HOTELS, MOTELS AND GUEST RANCHES OR AS AN ALTERNATIVE, CANVASSING ALL. ATTORNEYS IN RENO. HOWEVER THIS WOULD NOT BE CONCLUSIVE AS MANY PERSONS GETTING DIVORCES IN RENO AREA MAY RESIDE IN VICINITY OF RENO BUT OBTAIN DIVORCE IN SOME OTHER COUNTY IN NEVADA. EL PASO ADVISE WHETHER VINCENT'S ADDRESS AVAILABLE THROUGH JENNY WELLS, ALBUQUERQUE, INVESTIGATION RENO BEING HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING THIS NEW MEXICO. ADVICE.

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Mr. Tolson .. UNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Glavin JAN 14 1949 Mr. Ladd Mr. Nichols Mr. Rosen Mr. Tracy Mr. Egan Mr. Mohr Mr. Pennington ir. Cuinn Tamm. 10-58P 14 WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK URGENT DIRECTOR JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP. - R. (RE) REPORT OF SA E. WILSON, PURDY, JAN. ELVEN, FORTY NINE. RESULTS OF LABOR-ATORY EXAMINATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED BY YOU IN FORM OF REPORT PER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS. scheidt Schoold . 39 MIAMI ADVISED 12 JAN 24 1949 HOLD PLS 52 JAN 28 1949 Kisseloff-3821

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MIDDLE RIVER. YOUR ARE REQUESTED TO AGAIN CONTACT YOUR SOURCE OF

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RE WASH FIELD LETTER TO BUREAU OF DECEMBER TWENTYTHIRD LAST REQUESTING
INTERVIEW WITH JOSEPH S. DAVIS, FORMERLY OF FEDERAL FARM BOARD. DAVIS
WAS NOT WELL ACQUAINTED WITH WADLEIGH AND SUGGESTS CONTACT WITH FOLLOWING FELLOW EMPLOYEES OF WADLEIGH - CHARLES F. SARLE, PRESENTLY WITH
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WASHINGTON, DC, GEORGE C. HAAS, TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, AND
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L. B. Nichols

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For record purposes former Special Agent Louis J. Russell, now associated with the House Un-American Activities Committee, called on January 12 to advise that a story appeared concerning him in the Washington Daily News, that the news story stated that he was on leave of absence from the Russell stated that this, of course, was not true and immediately after noting it, he wanted to call to state that he had not given out the information. I told him we understood this and appreciated his call. He then stated that also he had been instructed by Congressman Nixon to pass the word on to me that he, Nixon, had heard that there was a Sum rumor being circulated that Nixon was after the Director and the Bureau. Nixon says that there is no truth to this, that he is on the side of the Bureau and the Director, and if we ever want proof we should ask him for it. I told Russell we appreciated his comments but that I also recall very distinctly Nixon calling me on the phone recently late at night, requesting that I advise nobody but the Director about the call, and I also recall that a couple of weeks later Nixon issued a statement to the press wherein he had said that the FBI was cognizant of certain developments in the Hiss-Chambers case because he, Nixon, had personally told the FBI. I told Russell that he could tell Nixon for me that actions speak louder than words.

Russell further told me that there was a great deal of tugging from down there on who would make up the new committee and there was a very good possibility that former Agent Velde would go on the committee. You will recall that he was the aindividual who asked to be heard by the committee to testify that he was head of the second-story squad.

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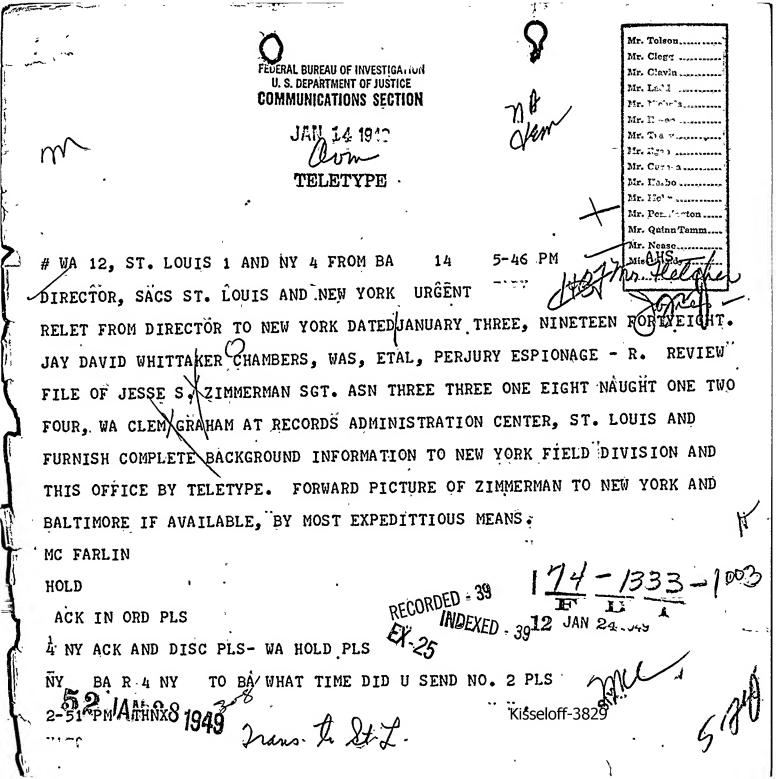
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Director, FBI

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. Was .: Re:

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Dear Sir:

Re attached report of SA WESLEY A. ANDERSON dated January 14, 1949, at Chicago. No copy is being submitted for the Butte Office.

Pages 2, 3 and 4 of the above report contain the results of an interview with HERMAN L. MEYER, Associate Professor, Mathematics Department, University of Chicago, a former fellow employee of FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Aberdeen, Maryland.

On Pages 2 and 3 other fellow employees of RENO at this project are listed as follows: EDWARD J. MC SHANE, ARTHUR S. PETERS, JOHN L. KELLEY, A. T. MORRIS, J. V. LEWIS and members of the United States Army, HERB FEDERER and KTRK FORT. Because all fellow employees of RENO at Aberdeen were to be interviewed, a lead has not been set out to interview these persons but they are being called to the attention of the Bureau and Baltimore in the event that interviews with any of them may have been overlooked.

Page 4 of the report lists a group of persons whose names were furnished by FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO to MEYER as friends of RENO at the time MEYER contemplated a trip to California after he left the Aberdeen Proving Grounds. These persons are listed as follows:

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FREDERICK KOKLER Editor of \a newspaper Casper, Wyoming

Mrs. ROSE MIEIN Winspear, Idaho

VICTOR BURKE Boulder, Colorado

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Director, FBI, 1/14/49

Re: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was.;

ALGER HISS, Et al. PERJURY - ESPIONAGE

BILL COLLEY Climax, Colorado

ED SCHUENEMAN Leadville, Colorado GEOFGE and CLARA CONKLIN Leadville, Colorado

WILBUR STUART Salida, Colorado

Copies of this letter are being furnished to the Denver Office, in which division all the persons except Mrs. ROSE KLEIN reside; and to the Butte Office for use in the event either the Bureau or New York desires that any of these persons be interviewed.

Attention of the New York Office is directed to the information re MORRIS ASIMOW appearing on Pages 14 and 15 of the above report. It is suggested that New York review this material to ascertain whether any further investigation along this line is desired.

G. R. Wc. Swain

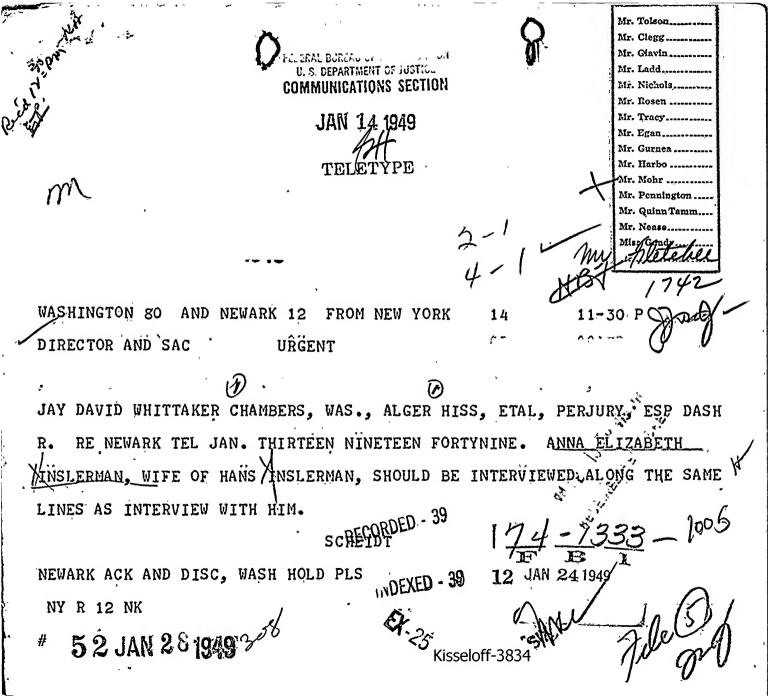
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REPRESENTATIVES FROM NORDEN WAS NAMED TEN BROOK, FIRST NAME UNKNOWN

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NEW YORK WILL ENDEAVOR TO DETERMINE WHO REPRESENTTIVES OF NORDEN WERE AND ASCERTAIN EXTENT OF RENOS KNOWLEDGE OF BOMB SIGHT FOR THEM.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R.

WILLIAM V. CROSSWHITE, AN ATTORNEY WITH DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, FORMERLY

EMPLOYED AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WITH ALGER HISS. CROSSWHITE

IS IN SAN FRANCISCO FOR THE ENSUING THREE WEEKS AS COUNSEL IN THE CASE

PENDING THERE ON BEHALF OF DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND CAN BE CONTACTED

THROUGH THE SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION. SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED TO INTERVIEW

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE-R, IS-R. DIRECTOR AND SAC REBULET JANUARY TWELVE LAST. MRS. ALICE BERRY, SECRETARY TO PRESI-DENT, HAVERFORD COLLEGE, HAVERFORD, PA., ADVISED HISS ONLY APPEAR-ANCE AT COLLEGE WAS AT COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES IN JUNE, FORTYSEVEN. SHE BELIEVES HISS ATTENDED AS RESULT OF ORAL INVITATION FROM PRESI-DENT. NO RECORD OF ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM HISS HAS BEEN RETAINED

IN COLLEGE FILES. PRESIDENT NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

Director, FBI

DATE: January 14, 1949

, SAC, Milwaukee

SUBJECT:

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS.

ALGER HISS, ETAL.

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Rebulet January 12, 1949.

The claims file on the policies of THOMAS F. FANSLER, deceased father of PRISCILLA HISS, in the offices of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, Milwaukee, was previously . examined for possible typewriter specimens in instant case.

However, in order that none had been overlooked, the file was re-examined this date and no further specimens were found. It was noted therein that what business PRISCILIA HISS has had in the past concerning the policies of her father, under which she is a beneficiary and receives an annuity, has been conducted through the general agents of that company in Philadelphia. When PRISCILLA HISS had occasion to communicate directly with the company, she has done so in her own handwriting. There are at least two letters in the file from her in her handwriting. These handwriting specimens were

not obtained as it does not appear at this time that the handwriting of PRISCILLA HISS is involved in instant case.

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(HABA JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY DASH ESPIONAGE DASH R. RE WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE TELETYPE TO LA DATED JANUARY TWELVE REQUESTING INTERVIEW STEEPHEN MC KEVETT FARRAND WHO WAS AN ATTORNEY IN SOLICITOR GENERAS OFFICE WHILE ALGER HISS WAS EMPLOYED THERE IN THIRTYFIVE DASH THIRTYSIX. FARRAND INTERVIEWED JANUARY THIRTEEN. ADVISED FIRST MET HISS MARCH FOURTEEN, THIRTYSIX AT SOLICITOR GENERALS OFICE. THEREAFTER WAS CLOSELY ACQUAINTED SOCIALLY WITH ALGER AND PRISCILLAXHISS UNTIL THIRTYEIGHT WHEN FARRAND LEFT RENEWED SOCIAL ACQUAINTANCE DURING WAR WHEN FARRAND IN PROVOST MARSHAL GENERALS OFICE AND STATIONED IN WASHINGTON, HOWEVER CONTACTS DURING WAR LESS FREQUENT THAN PREVIOULY. FARRAND AGAIN SAW HISS IN NY IN MARCH FORTYEIGHT FOR A SOCIAL VISIT. FARRAND HAS NO RECOLLECTION EVER DISCUSSING COMMUNISM WITH HISS. HAS NO RECOLLECTION OR INFORMATION THAT HISS INDICATED APPROVAL OF RUSSIAN FORM OF GOVERNMENT OR INTEREST IN COMMUNISM OR WAS ENGAGED IN ESPIONAGE FARRAND RECALLS HISS OWNED A CAR IN THIRTYSIX DASH THE HELLEN YAX THIRTYEIGHT BUT HAS NO FURTHER RECOLLECTION THIS MATTER. HE NEVER SAY TYPEWRITER AT HISS HOME FUREND AND HE KNOWS NOTHING UNFAVORABLE ABOUT HIM.

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RE FARRANDS ASSOCIATIONS WITH HISS, ANY INFORMATION REGARDING QUOTE A SECOND CAR UNQUOTE OWNED BY HISS. HORSKY ADVISED FARRAND HE WAS HELPING MARBURY, HISS ATTORNEY, LINE UP FACTS IN CIVIL SUIT BY HISS AGAINST CHAMBERS. FARRAND SENT EXAMPLE REQUESTED REPORT TO HORSKY ON NOVEMBER EIGHT FORTYEIGHT WITH COMPANY, COPY OF ALGER HISS. FARRAND STATED THIS REPORT CNXXX GONTAINED BRIEFLY SAME INFORMATION REGARDING HISS AS FURNISHED TO LA AGENTS. Kisseloff-3844 Ualled Laboratory HOOD ca Malantin

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Mr. Tolson ... TOT "E I BEAU OF LIVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Rosen ... TELETYPE Mr. Herbo Mr. Mohr ... Mr. Pennington Mr. Quinn Tamm. WASH AND WASH FLD FROM NEW YORK 76 DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ALGER HISS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP-R. REFERENCE IS MADE TO TELEPHONE CALL FROM INSPECTOR H. B. NO. ONE. FLETCHER TO ASAC BELMONT AT TWELVE FIFTY PM, JAN. THIRTEENTH, REGARDING TYPEWRITER PHASE OF THIS CASE. REFERENCE IS ALSO MADE TO BUREAU TEL DEC. SEVENTH, FORTY EIGHT, TWO TWENTY EIGHT PM, ADVISING THAT ONE DOC-UMENT OF THE SIXTY FIVE DOCUMENTS WAS APPARENTLY TYPED WITH A MACHINE EQUIPPED WITH TYPE MOST CLOSELY RESEMBLING THE ROYAL ELITE STYLE OF THIS DOCUMENT NOW KNOWN AS Q FIVE. IN YESTERDAYS CONVERSATION MR. FLETCHER INSTRUCTED THAT THE ROYAL TYPEWRITER ON WHICH Q FIVE WAS TYPED WILL HAVE TO BE LOCATED. ACCORDINGLY IT IS ASSUMED BY THIS OFFICE THAT THE LABORATORY HAS DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED Q FIVE AS HAVING BEEN TYPED ON A ROYAL TYPEWRITER. IT IS NOTED THAT NUMEROUS LAB REPORTS RECEIVED BY THIS OFFICE/FOR EXAMPLE, LAB REPORT DATED JAN. SEVENTH, FORTY NINE SETTING FORTH RESULTS OF EXAMINATION OF TWO FOURTEEN AND K TWO FIF-TEEN/ INDICATE THAT THE LAB IS EXAMANING HISS TYPEWRITING SPECIMENS SUBMITTED BY THE FIELD FOR COMPARISON PURPOSES Kisseloff-384 END OF PAGE ONE

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SUCH AN EXAMINATION WOULD APPARENTLY BE ADEQUATE WHEN IT IS KNOWN THAT THE SPECIMENS SUBMITTED BY THE FIELD ARE KNOWN TO BE TAKEN FROM A WOOD-STOCK TYPEWRITER. HOWEVER IN MANY INSTANCES TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS ARE BEING SUBMITTED BY THE FIELD AND IT IS NOT KNOWN ON WHAT TYPE OF MACHINE THE DOCUMENTS WERE TYPED /FOR EXAMPLE ABOVE MENTIONED K TWO FOURTEEN AND K TWO FIFTEEN/. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE LAB IN SUCH INSTANCES EXAMINE ALL SPECIMENS. WHICH HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE FIELD AND WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED BY THE FIELD WITH Q FIVE ON THE POSSIBILITY THAT SOME OF THESE SPECIMENS MIGHT BE IDENTICAL WITH Q FIVE. NO. TWO. WITH REFER-ENCE TO LOCATING THE ROYAL TYPEURITER ON WHICH Q FIVE WAS TYPED, BUREAUS ATTENTION IS DIRECTED TO NY TEL DATED JAN. FIFTH, FORTY NINE, FIVE FIFTY NINE PM, REFLECTING INTERVIEW WITH CYNTHIA YONES. IN THAT INTERVIEW CYNTHIA JONES ADVISED SHE LOANED A ROYAL PORTABLE TYPEWRITER TO ALGER HISS IN OCT., FORTY TWO, WHEN SHE WENT TO SAN FRAN. HISS RETURNED THIS TYPEWRITER TO HER IN THE FALL OF NINETEEN FORTY FIVE. JONES CLAIMS TO HAVE PURCHASED THIS ROYAL PORTABLE IN NINETEEN FORTY ONE FROM SOME Kisseloff-3847 UNRECALLED DEPT. STORE IN NYC.

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CLAIMS SHE MIGHT HAVE PURCHASED IT IN MACYS DEPT. STORE OR IN SOME ROYAL TYPEWRITING AGENCY. CLAIMS SHE MET ALGER HISS FOR THE FIRST TIME AT THE WEDDING OF HIS BROTHER, DONALD, AND THAT THE FIRST TIME SHE EVER LOANED HIM TYPEWRITER WAS AS HERETOFORE INDICATED IN NINETEEN FORTY TWO. SHE AGAIN LOANED HIM THIS TYPEWRITER IN THE SPRING OF NINETEEN FORTY SEV AND HE RETURNED IT IN THE SUMMER OF FORTY SEVEN. HE AGAIN BORROWED IT IN NINETEEN FORTY EIGHT. AND IT HAS NOT YET BEEN RETURNED TO HER. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS LAST BORROWING. IN SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEW JONES ADVISES THAT SHE WAS CONTACTED BY ONE ROSENWALD, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS BEING FROM THE OFFICE OF EDWARD MC LEAN, ATTORNEY FOR ALGER HISS. SHE FIXES THIS CONTACT AS THE DAY FOLLOWING NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS INDICATING THAT A "MYSTERY WOMAN" NAMED BLANK KLEINER WAS BEING SOUGHT-IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION! NY FILES REFLECT THAT THIS PUB-LICITY OCCURED IN NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS OF DEC. EIGHTEENTH IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACTIVITIES IN NYC OF REPRESENTATIVE MC DOWALL OF THE HOUSE IN SUBSEQUENT INTERVIEW JONES CLAIMS SHE WAS CONFUSED WHEN SHE STATED ROSENWALD SECURED THE TYPEWRITER FROM HER, AND THAT IT WAS NOT ROSENWALD BUT ALGER HISS WHO HAD COME TO HER AND BORROWED THE TYPEWRITER.

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SHE STILL CLAIMED THAT THIS LAST BORROWING BY HISS WAS AT THE TIME OF THE AFOREMENTIONED PUBLICITY CONCERNING THE MYSTERY WOMAN. JONES ADVISED THAT SHE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY INTERVIEWED IN MC LEANS OFFICE, AT WHICH TIME ROSENWALD WAS PRESENT AND DURING WHICH INTERVIEW SHE WAS QUESTIONED CONCERNING HER TYPEWRITER, AS TO THE NUMBER OF TIMES AND DATES ON WHICH SHE LOANED IT TO ALGER HISS. SHE ADVISES THAT BY REASON OF THIS SHE SURMISES THAT HER TYPENRITER IS IN THE POSSESSION OF ATTORNEY MC LEAN AND THAT HISS DOES NOT PHYSICALLY POSSESS IT. SHE HAS GRANTED THIS OFFICE PERMISSION TO SECURE THE TYPEWRITER AND TAKE SPECIMENS FROM IT. AS HERETOFORE INDICATED, JONES CLAIMS HER TYPEWRITER TO BE A ROYAL PORT-ABLE. BUREAU WILL IMMEDIATELY ADVISE IF Q FIVE WAS TYPED ON A ROYAL PORTABLE OR ROYAL STANDARD TYPEWRITER. DONEGAN WILL BE CONTACTED TO ASCERTAIN IF HE DESIRES CONTACT MADE WITH MC LEANS OFFICE TO SECURE SPECIMENS FROM JONES TYPEWRITER. NO. THREE. IN YESTERDAYS CONVERSATION MR. FLETCHER ADVISED THAT Q FIVE IS TYPED ON GOVT. BOND PAPER. IT IS ASSUMED THAT LAB HAS MADE PAPER EXAMINATION OF Q FIVE WITH Q SIX THROUGH Q SIXTY NINE. BUREAU WILL ADVISE RESULTS OF SUCH EXAMINATION. Kisseloff-3849 END OF PAGE FOUR

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NO. FOUR. WITH REFERENCE TO THE SIXTY FIVE DOCUMENTS TURNED OVER BY CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS HAS ALLEGED THAT HISS WAS THE SOURCE OF THESE DOCUMENT THAT HISS TOOK HOME ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS FROM THE STATE DEPT., WHERE THEY WOULD BE COPIED ON A TYPEWRITER. THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WOULD THEN BE RETURNED TO THE STATE DEPT. AND THE COPIED DOCUMENTS WOULD BE TURNED OVER TO CHAMBERS. THIS OFFICE IN COMPARING THE COPIED DOCUMENTS. PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF WHICH ARE IN OUR POSSESSION, WITH THE PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF THE ORIGINAL STATE DEPT. DOCUMENTS, HAS OBSERVED THAT THE COPIED DOCUMENTS ARE NOT AS COMPLETE AS THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS, THAT THERE ARE MISSPELLINGS OF WORDS IN THE COPIED DOCUMENTS AS WELL AS CONTRACTIONS OF WORDS WHICH ARE NOT IN THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS, THAT ARTIC SUCH AS "A"AND "THE" HAVE BEEN OMITTED FROM THE COPIED DOCUMENTS WHICH ARE IN THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT CONSIDERATION-BE GIVEN TO HAVING THE CRYPTANALYSIS SECTION OF THE LAB MAKE. A THOROUGH EXAMINATION OF TH COPIED DOCUMENTS TO DETERMINE A-PATTERN OR STYLE PECULIAR TO THE AUTHOR WHO COPIED THOSE DOCUMENTS FROM THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. IT IS THEN SUGGESTED THAT ALL THE SPECIMENS OF THE WRITINGS, LETTERS. ETC.

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OF ALGER HISS AND PRISCILLA HISS WHICH HAVE BEEN SECURED BY THE FIELD AND WHICH IN THE FUTURE WILL BE SUBMITTED BY THE FIELD BE THOROUGHLY 'EXAMINED' TO SEE IF ANY OF THESE SPECIMENS WERE WRITTEN BY THE AUTHOR OF THE COPIED DOCUMENTS. LOOKING OF COURSE FOR THE SAME MISSPELLINGS THE SAME CONTRACTIONS, AND ANY OTHER PECULIATITIES WHICH MIGHT BE OBSERVED. IT IS BELIEVED THAT IF SUCH AN EXAMINATION PROVES SUCCESSFUL IT COULD ALSO BE USED TO PROVE THAT Q FIVE, EVEN THOUGH TYPED ON A DIFFERENT TYPEWRITER THAN THE WOODSTOCK, WAS AUTHORED BY THE SAME AUTHOR AS THE AUTHOR OF Q SIX THROUGH SIXTY NINE. THIS OFFICE HAS IN ITS POSSESSION A LONG TYPEWRITTEN THESIS SUBMITTED BY PRISCILLA HISS IN CONNECTION WITH HER APPLICATION FOR A MASTERS DEGREE AT COL-UMBIA UNIV., DATED NINETEEN TWENTY NINE, WHICH COULD BE USED IN THE SUGGESTED EXAMINATION. IT IS NOTED THAT THERE ARE SEVERAL INKED HANDPRINTED CORRECTIONS MADE IN THE THESIS TO CORRECT TYPED MISSPELLED IT IS ALSO NOTED IN REVIEWING SOME OF THE PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF THE COPIED STATE DEPT. DOCUMENTS IN OUR POSSESSION THAT IN A FEW INSTANCES SOME PAGES ALSO CONTAIN INKED HANDPRINTED CORRECTIONS. THEY APPEAR SOMEWHAT SIMILAR TO THE LAYMANS EYE BUT OF COURSE WILL NEED Kisseloff-3851 EXPERT EXAMINATION.

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SOME OF THE INKED HANDPRINTED CORRECTIONS FOR EXAMPLE APPEAR ON DOCUMENT ENTITLED "VEINNA DATED FEB. FOURTEENTH, NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT, REC-D ELEVEN FORTY FIVE PM." DIRECTED TO THE SEC. OF STATE, WASH., BEGINNING WITH THE WORDS "HAVE JUST SEEN" AND ENDING WITH THE WORDS "RESISTANCE IN AUSTRIA," TRANSMITTED BY WILEY. ALSO ON PAGE FOUR. OF DOCUMENT ENTITLED "NEED FOR NEW POLICY IN ECONIMIC DEVELOPMENT OF MANCHUKUO." IT IS ALSO NOTED IN THE THESIS THAT WHEN THERE WOULD BE A TYPOGRAPHICAL MISSPELLING A CERTAIN TYPE OF MARK TO TRANSPOSE THE LETTERS WOULD BE USED. THIS APPARENTLY SIMILAR MARK ALSO APPEARS ON SOME OF THE COPIED DOCUMENTS WHEN WORDS HAD BEEN MISSPELLED AND THE AUTHOR OF THE COPIED DOCUMENTS CORRECTED THEM BY MAKING THE MARK TO EFFECT A TRANSPOSITION OF THE LETTERS. THE USE OF THIS PARTICULAR TYPE MARK OBSERVED IN BOTH THE EHESIS AND THE COPIED DOCUMENTS MIGHT WELL BE A COMMONLY USED MARK, BUT IT IS BELIEVED WORTHY OF EXPERT EXAMINATION. IT HAS NOT BEEN ASCERTAINED WHETHER THE CORRECTIONS IN THE THESIS WERE MADE BY PRISCILLA HISS, BUT SUCH IS THE ASSUMPTION ACCORDING TO INQUIRES AT COLUMBIA UNIV. FOR INFO OF BUREAU, THIS THESIS HAS NOT BEEN SUBMITTED TO THE BUREAU BECAUSE OF ITS DATE AND BECAUSE T. J. DONEGAN DID NOT FEEL IT ESSENTIAL TO SUBMIT AS A TYPEWRITING SPECIMEN. Kisseloff-3852 END OF PAGE SEVEN

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IF SUGGESTED EXAMINATION PRODUCES RESULTS, THE ENTIRE FIELD SHOULD BE INSTRUCTED TO OBTAIN NOT ONLY TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS EMANATING FROM ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS, BUT HANDWRITTEN SPECIMENS AS WELL. INASMUCH AS HANDWRITTEN SPECIMENS WOULD BE USEFUL IN SUCH AN EXAMINATION SINCE THEY MIGHT CONTAIN THE SAME PECULIARITIES. FHESIS BEING TRANSPORTED TO BUREAU PERSONALLY BY SA BAGWELL WHO WILL DELIVER IT RO MR. LADDS OFFICE TOMORROW. ce-Mr. Harbo

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Investigation reflects that LAWRENCE MALONE and Mrs. FRANK E. VOIKMAN formerly resided at 1535 - 54th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., during part of the period that ALGER HISS resided at 3415 Volta Place, N. W., which address is just around the corner from that of MAIONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN. It has been ascertained that MALONE and Mrs. VOLKHAN are now residing at 710 Maine Street, Norwalk, Connecticut. DEFERRED

The New Haven Division is requested to interview MALONE and Mrs. VOLKMAN in conformance with the above Bureau instructions. For fu ther background information, refer to Bureau teletype to all SACS in this matter dated January 10, 1949.

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Investigation reflects that ALEXANDER SHARP, Captain, U. S. Navy, resided at 1545 - 35th Street, N. W. in 1940, which is just around the corner from 3415 Volta Place, N. W., both Washington, D. C., where ALGER HISS resided from 1937 until 1943. Investigation reflects that Captain SHARP is now residing at DEFERRED RE Welcome, Maryland.

The Baltimore Division should interview Captain SHARP in conformance with the above Bureau instructions. For. further background, refer to Bureau teletype to all SACS in: this matter dated January 10, 1949.

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KAJAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE -IS - R. RE UNSUB KEITH. T REVIEW OF INFORMATION FURNISHED AT VAR IOUS TIMES BY SUBJECT CHAMBERS RECATIVE TO UNSUB KEITH REFLECTS FOLLOWIN POSSIBILITY AS TO THIS SUBJECTS TRUE IDENTITY. CHAMBERS, IT WILL

BE RECALLED, KNEW SUBJECT FELIX A. INSLERMAN ONLY AS "FELIX." INVESTI

GATION BY BALTIMORE SUBSEQUENTLY REVEALED FELIX TO BE THAT SUBJECTS REAL FIRST NAME. POSSIBILITY, THEREFORE, THAT "KEITH " MAY BE UNSUB

KEITHS REAL FIRST NAME. CHAMBERS, WHEN LAST INTERVIEWED BY WFO, AS RELERCTED ON PAGE SEVEN OF REPORT OF SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR, DATED JAN

FOUR LAST, RECALLED THAT KEITHS REAL NAME MAY BE "CRANE ." ACCORDINGLY;

BALTIMORE HAS CHECKED WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT SIX NAUGHT FOUR FOR EMPLOYMENT RECORD OF ANYONE NAMED "KEICHACRANE." A RECORD WAS LOCATED

FOR ONE KEITH DEMPSTER PRANE, SSN THREE SEVEN FIVE DASH TWENTY DASH FIVE THREE ONE THREE, WHO FIRST APPLIED FOR SS MAY TWENTYFIVE, NINETEEN

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QUENTLY EMPLOYED. ACCORDING TO IN SEPT FORTYTWO. AT FÉTTIG CANNING CORP.. PO BOX SEV ENTYFIVE. ELWOOD. IND. MARCH. FORTYTHREE, TO MARCH, FORTYFIVE, SEVERANCE TOOL INC., PO BOX EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY, SAGINAW, MICH. JUNE, FORTYFOUR, THRU SEPT FORTYFOUR, b2 OURHAM OR DURHAM MANUFACTURING CORP. ASSOCIATED BLDG. SOUTH BEND. IND. FROM JUNE FORTYFIVE TO SEPT FORTYFIVE. OWENS LILLINOIS GLASS CO.. OHIO BLDG., TOLEDO, OHIO. NO EMPLOYMENT LISTED FOR CRANE WITH SINCE FORTYFIVE. THE DETROIT, INDIANAPOLIS AND CLEVELAND OFFICES ARE REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY CONTACT THE COMPANIES IN THEIR TERRITORIES FOR INFORMATION PERTAINING TO KEITH DEMPSTER CRANE. SHOULD BE MADE TO OBTAIN A, PHOTOGRAPH OF HIM FROM THESE, COMPANIES AND IN PARTICULAR TO ASCCERTAIN HIS WHEREABOUTS DURING NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN AND NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT. EFFORTS DHOULD ALSO BE MADE TO DETERMINE HIS PRESENT WHEREABOUTS. IF PHOTO OF CRANE OBTAINED, SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO NEW YORK OFFICE FOR EXHIBITION TO JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS IN

REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN HIS SELECTIVE SERVICE BOARD SO THAT FILE CAN BE REVIEWED FOR LOGICAL LEADS AS TO PRESENT WHEREABOUTS ASWELL AS HIS WHERE-ABOUT DURING YEARS THIRTYSEVEN AND THIRTYEIGHT. FOR INFORMATION OF

OFFICES NOT PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED WITH DATA ON UNSUB KEITH, SUBJECT ... CHAMBERS HAS ADVISED THAT A MEMBER OF THE ESPIONAGE APPARATUS UTILIZED

FOR PHOTOGRAPHY WORK WAS PERSON NAMED KEITH. KEITH WAS ALLEGEDLY

ENDEAVOR TO DETERMINE WHETHER IT IS IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB KEITH.

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CONNECTED WITH COLONEL BYKOV, ONE OF THE PRINCIPALS IN THIS CASE, IN NYC. KEITH CAME TO WASH. IN THIRTYSEVEN FOR BRIEF PERIOD, WHERE HE DID PHOTOGRAPH WORK FOR CHAMBERS. KEITH WAS INTRODUCED TO CHAMBERS BY BYKOV. CHAMBERS OF OPINION KEITH CAME TO EAST FROM CALIFORNIA. HE DESCRIBED KEITH VAGUELY AS FOLLOWS -- AGE APPROXIMATELY THIRTY, NATIONALITY AMERICAN, GENTILE, HEIGHT FIVE FEET TEN TO SIX FEET, DARK HAIR, PALE COMPLEXION, EYES BELIEVED DARK, FOLDED DOWN AT CORNERS GIVING CHINESE APPEARANCE. BUREAU HAS INSTRUCTED THAT ALL LEADS THIS CASE BE GIVEN IMMEDIATE AND EXPEDITIOUS ATTENTION AND LEADS BE SET FORTH BY TELETYPE OR TELEPHONE.

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MARTHA POPE, WHO RESIDES AT SEVEN FIVE EIGHT GRESHAM PLACE, WASH DC., SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED RELATIVE TO HER KNOWLEDGE OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHAMBERS AND HISS AND SHE SHOULD BE QUESTIONED AS TO WHETHER SHE HAS KNOWLEDGE OF THE MAIDS EMPLOYED BY HISS AS MENTIONED ABOVE. ALL OF THE ABOVE MAIDS SHOULD BE QUESTIONED AS TO THE TYPES OF TYPE-WRITER THAT WERE IN THE HISS HOME AT THE TIME THEY WERE EMPLOYED THERE. THEY SHOULD ALSO BE QUESTIONED CONCERNING ANY TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS IN THEIR POSSESSION AND AS TO THE IDENTITY OF OTHER INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY HAVE OBSERVED A TYPEWRITER IN THE HISS HOME AND WHO MAY BE IN POSSESSION OF TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS. MR. T. J. DONEGAN HAS ADVISED THAT HE IS PARTICULARLY DESIRIOUS OF OBTAINING SPECIMENS OF THE HISS TYPE-WRITER FOR THE YEAR THIRTY EIGHT. HE FURNISHED SOME OF THE ABOVE INFO FROM THE TESTIMONY BEFORE THE FGJ, SDNY; AND THIS INFO SHOULD BE TREATED IN A CONFIDENTIAL MANNER AND SHOULD NOT BE DISCUSSED WITH ANY OF THE INDÍVIDUALS INTERVIEWED.

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MR. AND MRS. LAMONT MOORE ADVISED THEY RESIDED IN WASHINGTON NINETEEN THIRTYNINE TO NINETEEN FORTYTHREE AND ALTHOUGH SOCIALLY ACQUAINTED TO MINOR EXTENT WITH MR. AND MRS. HISS NEVER HAD ANY CORRESPONDENCE FROM THEM. COULD NOT DEFINITELY STATE SEEING TYPEWRITER IN HISS HOME. MR. MOORE STATES HAD VAGUE IDEA MRS. HISS MAY HAVE WRITTEN FASHION OR SOCIETY COLUMN FOR A BALTIMORE PAPER. ALSO STATES HISS OFTEN INVITED TO FUNCTIONS AT NATIONAL ART GALLERY AND WERE SOCIALLY ACQUAINTED WITH ITS DIRECTOR, MR. MAC GILL JAMES. MRS. MOORE STATES HER COUSIN, MRS. ANGELO LANZA, TWO TWO FIVE EAST FIFTYSEVENTH ST., NYC, PHONE ELDORADO FIVE DASH FOUR NINE TWO EIGHT, WHO WAS EMPLOYED DURING WAR BY THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE MAY HAVE BEEN ACQUAINTED WITH MRS. HISS AS BOTH WERE BRYN MAWR GRADUATES.

WFO WILL REVIEW FILES OF NATIONAL ART GALLERY FOR ANY TYPEWRITTEN.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM MR. OR MRS. HISS. WILL ALSO INTERVIEW MR. MAC GILL

JAMES TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE HAS ANY SUCH MATERIAL OR SAW TYPEWRITER

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NY WILL, IF DEEMED ADVISABLE, INTERVIEW MRS. LANZA, WHO MAY HAVE KNOWN MRS. HISS.

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TUES. THROUGH SUNDAY; APPARENTLY AUG. TEN TO AUG. FIFTEEN, THIRTYSEVEN

INCLUSIVE. HISS AT THIS TIME WAS EMPLOYED BY THE STATE DEPT. AND IN

EFFORT TO FURTHER SUBSTANTIATE CHAMBERS STORY, IT IS SUGGESTED THAT

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MEETING IN FORTYFOUR WHEN ALGER WAS MADE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR THE DUMBARTON OAKS CONFERENCE TO THE PRESENT. STETTINIUS WAS IN LONDON

CONFERENCE WAS CONCIEVED ON A SECRET MISSION AT THE TIME THE DUMBARTON FOR PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AND UPON HIS RETURN CHARLES WILSON. PRESENT

AMBASSADOR TO TURKEY, WAS IN CHARGE OF THE PLANNING AND ORGANIZATION OF THE CONFERENCE AND ALGER HAD BEEN SELECTED AS THE EXECUTIVE SECRE-

TARY FOR THE PLANNING GROUP. HE HAD BEEN UNDER CHARLES HORNBECK IN THE FAR EASTERN DIVISION. HE DID NOT KNOW WHO HAD PROPOSED ALGER FOR

THE POSITION. OR FOR THE SIMILAR CAPACITY AT YALTA. HIS SELECTION FOR THE SAN FRANCISCO CONFERENCE CAME AUTOMATICALLY. AT NO TIME HAD HE

SELECTED HISS FOR A POSITION AND TO A DIRECT QUESTION STATED HE DID NOT KNOW WHO HAD BEEN INTERESTED AND HAD BEEN PUSHING HISS. HISS HAD

DONE EXCELLENT WORK AT ALL THE CONFERENCES AND HAD INGRATIATED HIMSELF

HE HAD, STETTINIUS, HANDLED THE RUSSIANS WITH THE SAME FIRMNESS -1037

HE HAD NEVER INDICATED ANY PRO- RUSSIAN

SYMPATHIES OR DISCLOSED, SUBERVERSIVE TENDENCIES. FAITH IN ALGER AND THE RECENT DISCLOSURES HAVE COME AS A GREAT SHOCK TO

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A BOOK HE IS WRITING ABOUT YALTA, ENTITLED - ROOSEVELT AND THE RUSSIANS -. HE REITERATED HIS FAITH IN ALGER. MARBURRY, WHO WAS A CLASSMATE OF STETTINIUS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, RECENTLY VISITED HIM WITH REFERENCE TO THE CASE. APPARENTLY TO REBUILD STETTINIUS FAITH IN ALGER AND TO RUN DOWN CHAMBERS. MARBURRY DISCLOSED THAT HE HAD FOUND FOUR . DOCUMENTS THAT MORNING IN HISS HANDWRITING WHICH HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO TURN OVER TO THE FBI., BUT WAS FIRST GOING TO ALGER-S APARTMENT AND A SHORT TIME AFTER MARBURRY- S VISIT, EASTMAN TELL HIM ABOUT IT. ROTHWELL, LIBRARIAN AT THE HOOVER LIBRARY AT PALO'ALTO VISITED STETTINIUS AND IN THE COURSE OF THE DISCUSSION OF THE HISS CASE STATED THAT ALGER HAD A LIFELONG HOBBY OF DIGESTING FILES AND DOCUMENTS AND PLACING THEM IN IN A SAFE. THAT SOMEONE HAD STOLEN THESE DIGESTS. STETTINIUS POINTED OUT THAT AT NO TIME WHILE IN THE DEPARTMENT HAD ANYONE EVER BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION UNFAVORABLE INFORMATION ABOUT ALGER. HE HAD NEVER SEEN THE BERLE REPORT ON THE CHAMBERS INTERVIEW. HE ADMITTED NEVER HAVING ASKED FOR HISS-S FILE OR CHECKING ON HIM. HE STATED HE HAD HAD THE FBI MAKE A SECURITY SURVEY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN LATE FORTYTHREE AND EARLY FORTYFOUR AND HE DID NOT RECALL IT CONTAINING ANY INFORMATION ABOUT HISS. G. HOWLAND SHAW HAD BEEN AT THAT TIME IN CHARGE OF THE SECURITY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT. HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND THERE WAS ANY TRUTH TO THE DISLOYALTY OF THE HISS BROTHERS: WHY TOM CLARK HAD NOT WARNED HIM AND ALSO DEAN ACHESON SO THE LATTER WOULD NOT HAVE MADE SUCH AN UNQUALIFIED ENDORSEMENT OF DÖNALD HISS AND PLACED HIM SELF 53

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Dear Sir:

ReBulet to New York January 5, 1949 advising that ALGER HISS delivered an address at Northwestern University during 1946 and requesting that the University be contacted for any typewritten correspondence from HISS. The attention of the Bureau is directed to the Chicago Letter dated January 7, 1949 submitting letters to the FBI Laboratory which were obtained from the Illinois Law Review at the Northwestern University Law School. In these letters HISS referred to his lecture at the Northwestern University Lay School on November 12, 1946. DEFERRED BYCE

Mr. HAROLD C. HAVIGHURST, Dean, Northwestern University Law School, after reviewing the file concerning the lecture delivered by ALGLA HISS in 1946, advised that the following is the only additional correspondence from HISS available at Northwestern University:

> A typewritten letter on the letterhead of the Department of State, Washington, dated November 13, 1946, beginning, "Dear Dean Green: I want to take this occasion", and signed by ALGER HISS.

QL-19kr. HAVIGIUET was questioned regarding the possibility that correspondence from HICS prior to the lecture might be located, but he advised that none is available. He added that he knew who arranged the address and how this was accomplished, but did not desire to make this information available.

The initials of Special Agent WEDLEY A. ANDERSON and Dean MAVIGHURST appear on the reverse side of the above-described letter, which is being submitted

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herewith as an enclosure for comparison with the questioned documents in the above-captioned case.

At the conclusion of the Laboratory examination the letter should be forwarded to the Chicago Office in order that it may be returned to the Northwestern University Law School.

Very truly yours,

G. R. MC SMAIN, (Special Agent In Charge

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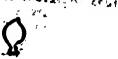
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ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE. INQUIRIES REGARDING CORRESPONDENCE, TYPE
WRITER,, AND ACTIVITIES OF ALGER HISS NEGATIVE, OTHER THAN SOCIAL CON
TACTS. ACCORDING TO SMITH, ASSOCIATES OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS WERE

MR. AND MRS. RUDOLPH STANLEY-BROWN, NOW IN NYC, HERBERT AND RUTH

A PROFESSOR AT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, AND EDWARD BERLINE, JR., AND THEODORE DOMINIC, ARCHITECTS AT WASHINGTON, DC. SMITH DESCRIBES SELF AS "LEFT OF CENTER NEW DEALER", AS COMPARED WITH CONSERVATIVE ELEMENTS. STATES HE HAS BEEN CALLED A COMMUNIST, BUT DENIES HAVING SUCH BELIEFS.

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Retel from WFO, 1/3/49.

Referenced teletype requested that the Atlanta Field Office review Veterans Administration file pertaining to Mational Service Life Insurance of TIMOTHY HOBSON, stepson of ALGER HISS, and obtain photostatic copies of typewritten correspondence from HOBSON for submission to FBI Laboratory for comparison of known specimens of ALGER HISS! typewriter.

In accordance with this request, the following documents were photostated and two (2) copies each are being forwarded to the Laboratory for comparison with the known specimens from ALGER HISS! typewriter:

> Two (2) photostatic copies of Application For National Service Life Insurance of TIMOTHY HOBSON.

Two (2) photostatic copies letter dated November 6, 1946 to RALPH W XBEESON.

Two (2) photostatic copies of envelope addressed to RALPH W. BEESON, postmarked November 7, 1946.

Two (2) photostatic copies of letter addressed to Veterans Administration, dated November 26, 1946.

Two (2) photostatic copies of envelope addressed to Veterans Administration, postmarked November 26, 1946 at New York.

There is also being forwarded, under separate cover, one package of exposed film, containing two shots each, of the following documents made 1/10 Sec. at F.11.

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RE: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was, ET AL PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R

- (1) Letter dated November 26, 1946 to Veterans Administration, Richmond, beginning, "I am in receipt of your form letter...."
- (2) Envelope addressed to Veterans Administration Richmond, November 26, 1946, at New York.
- (3) Letter dated November 6, 1946 from TIMOTHY
 HOBSON, 554 W. 113 Street, New York, beginning,
 "Following my discharge..."
- (4) Envelope addressed to RAIPH W. BEESON, Veterans. Administration Office No. 4, Richmond, post-marked, November 7, 1946 at New York.
- (5) Veterans Administration Form 3538, Application For Reinstatement bearing signature of TIMOTHY HOBSON, dated November 26, 1946.
- (6) Application for National Service Life Insurance dated May 11, 1944, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, signed TIMOTHY HOBSON (1 shot only)
- (7) Veterans Administration Form 889, change of address, dated 11/26/46 at New York

It is requested that this package of film be developed and turned over to the appropriate section of the Laboratory for comparison with known specimens from HISS! typewriter. The results should be furnished the New York Office.

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CIVIL SERVICE APPLICATION DATED NOVEMBER TWENTY FIFTH, FORTY TWO,

COMPLETED BY PHILIP RENO LISTS THE POLLOWING AS HIS SUPERVISORS WHILE

WITH SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD, WASHINGTON, DC. W. E. CHALMERS, CHIEF

RESLARCH DIVISION NUMETEEN THIRTY SEVEN, FORTY ONE, DR. MAX FREYD, CHIEF

OF PERSONNEL ANALYSIS SECTION NUMETEEN THIRTY SIX, THIRTY SEVEN, DR.

ERNEST J. ENSQUIST, ASST. CHIEF RESEARCH AND STATISTICAL. WFO WILL LOCATE

AND INTERVIEW. SAIN APPLICATION LISTS A LT. COL. ALBERT H. AMONSON, U. S.

ARMY, NO ADDRESS, AS A REFERENCE. ST. LOUIS WILL ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE RECORD

AND IDENTIFY. SMOULD WFO DEVELOP FURTHER INFORMATION RE AROUSON IN

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, ESP - R, IS - R. REWASHFIELDTEL JANUARY FOURTEEN LAST. JOHN GRAFF, PRESENT USA FOR DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA, ADVISED THAT HE WAS EMPLOYED IN THE BENEFITS CONTRACT SECTION OF US DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE FROM JANUARY, THIRTYFOUR TO OCTOBER, THIRTYNINE AND ALGER HISS WAS CHIEF OF THE BENEFITS CONTRACT SECTION FRON JANUARY, THIRTYFOUR TO MARCH, THIRTYFIVE. GRAFF STATED THAT HE HAS NO INFORMATION IN REGARD TO HISS-S MEMBERSHIP IN CP UNDERGROUND IN WASHINGTON, DC. HE STATED HE TALKED TO ALGER HISS ONLY ON TWO OCCASIONS DURING THE ABOVE PERIOD OF TIME AND THAT THESE CONVERSATIONS WERE IN REGARD TO ASSIGNMENT OF WORK IN THE BENEFITS CONTRACT SECTION OF THE AGRI-CULTURE DEPARTMENT AND THAT HE HAD NO SECIAL CONTACTS WITH HISS OR HIS ASSOCIATES. GRAFF ADVISED THAT ASSOC TIME WERE JEROME FRANK, THEN GENERAL COUNSEL, AAA COURT OF APPEALS, SECOND CIRCUIT. ROBERT MC CONNAUGHEY END PAGE ONE

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CHIEF OF BENEFITS CONTRACT SECTION, NOW A MEMBER OF SECURITY EXCHANGE COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, DC. FRANCIS M. SHEA, THEN CHIEF OF OPINION SECTION, AGRICULTURE DEPT., LATER ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL IN CHARGE OF CLAIMS DIVISION, NOW BELIEVED TO BE IN WASHINGTON, DC. ELLIOT MOYER, THEN IN BENEFITS CONTRACT SECTION, LATER IN ANTITRUST DIVISION, US DEPT. OF JUSTICE, NOW BELIEVED TO BE PRACTICING LAW IN WASHINGTON, DC. LEENPRESSMAN, THEN IN GENERAL COUNSELS OFFICE, LATER GENERAL COUNSEL FOR CIO AT WASHINGTON, DC. MR. GRAFF STATED THE ABOVE PERSONS WERE ON VERY FRIENDLY TERMS WITH ALGER HISS AND MAY BE IN-A POSITION TO FURNISH INFORMATION IN REGARD TO HISS. MR GRAFF STATED THAT IN MARCH, NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE THERE WAS SOME TROUBLE BETWEEN HISS AND HIS ASSOCIATES IN THE GENERAL COUNSELS OFFICE AND THE ADMINISTRATORS OFFICE OF THE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT, WHICH WAS THEN HEADED BY CHESTER C. DAVIS, NOW BELIEVED TO BE PRESIDENT OF THE FEDERAL LAND BANK IN ST LOUIS, MO., AND THAT AS RESULT OF THIS TROUBLE, THE GENERAL COUNSELS OFFICE IN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE WAS ABOLISHED AND FRANK, HISS, SHEA, PRESSMAN AND OTHERS WERE FIRED. MR. GRAFF BELIEVED THE WASHINGTON NEWSPAPER, THE WASHINGTON HERALD, END PAGE TWO Kisseloff-3900

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CARRIED AN ARTICLE IN REGARD TO THIS DISPUTE IN MARCH, NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE. MR. GRAFF ADVISED THAT HUGH J. BOIL, WHO WAS THEN AN ATTORNEY IN THE BENEFITS CONTRACT SECTION, HAD NO TIME FOR ALGER HISS AND HIS ASSOCIATES. THAT MR. BOIL IS NOW PRACTICING LAW IN OMAHA, NEBRASKA. MR. GRAFF ADVISED THAT THE AMERICAN MAGAZINE OF FEBRUARY, NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR, CARRIED AN ARTICLE ENTITLED QUOTE UNCLE SAM GROWS YOUNGER UNQUOTE BY BEVERLY SMITH WHICH ARTICLE MENTIONS ALGER HISS. THIS INFORMATION VERIFIED. CINCINNATI WILL CONTACT THE CROWELL COLLIER PUBLISHING COMPANY AT SPRINGFIELD, OHIO AND SECURE COPIES OF THIS ARTICLE TO BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU AND NEW YORK OFFICE. IF THE ABOVE PERSONS MENTIONED BY MR. GRAFF HAVE NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY CONTACTED, THE NEW YORK OFFICE WILL BY TELE-TYPE REQUEST THAT THEY BE INTERVIEWED PROMPTLY. REPORT BEING SUBMITTED.

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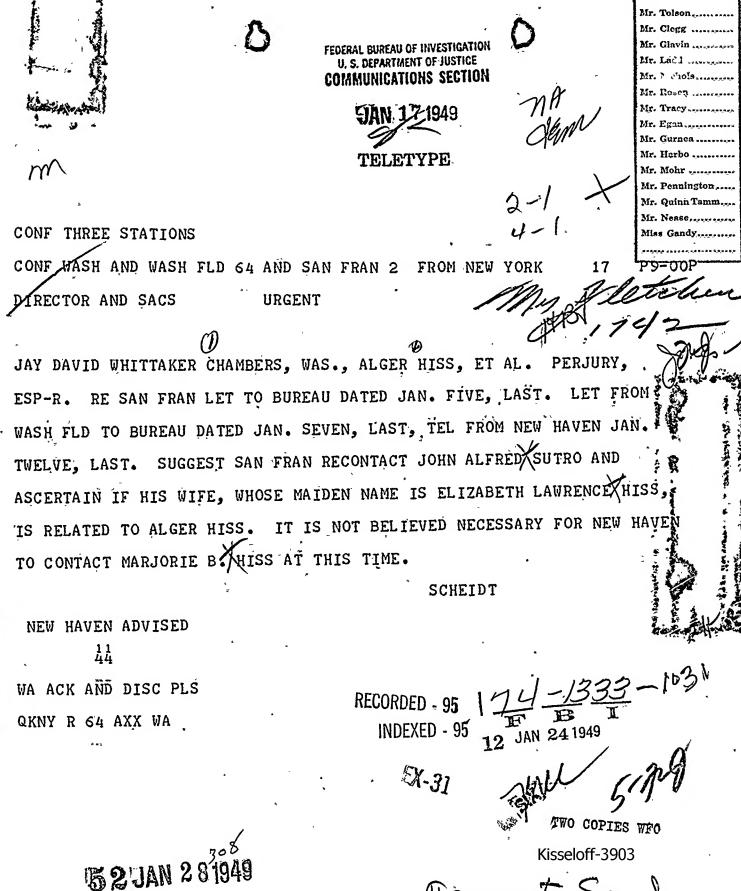
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BALTOTEL TO WASHINGTON, JANUARY FIVE, LAST. DISCONTINUE INVESTIGATION DE WOODSTOCK TYPE-RITER NULDER FIVE N THO THO THO NINE FOUR TWO, AS DUREAU INSTRUCTS TYPE-RULE Search be limited to l'achiels bearing serial numbers from one four five thousat to the haught four thousand. Likerise discentinue on any other requists with SERIAL NUMBERS DO NOT FAIL IN THIS RANGE. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT THIS CIFICE ADVISES THAT OHE AGREE CRAFT OF CHESTERTOWN, MARYLAND, TOGETHER WITH ON A JAME. USED ALGER HISS! AUTOMOBILE FOR A TRIP TO THE EASTERN SHORE OF MARYLAND. JAME HAS BOOK IDONTIFIED AS HILDA W. SAITH, AKA JANEXSMIN, AFFILIATED WITH CAPITAL CITY FORUL, WASHINGTON COMMITTED FOR DEMOGRATIC ACTION, WASHINGTON YOUTH COUNC. WASHINGTON BOOKSHOP, AND AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND DEMOCRACY. BALTILIGRE equested to interview agnes craft, chestertown, maryland, for any theo em hay de ABLE TO GIVE CONCERNING THE ALLEGED ASPICHAGE ACTIVITIES OF ALGER HISS, ANY associations of hics with whom she hay de familiar, with particular regience to WHITTAKER CHALLERY, ANY TYPED COLLUNICATIONS CHE MAY HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE HISSES. AND ANY KIGHLEDGE SHE HAY HAVE OF ANY TYPINETIZES LIVER COULD BY THE MISSES, OR PRESENT. 12 147 211

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Mr. Tolson Mr. Clegg Mr. Glavin FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Ladd U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Nichols COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Rosen Pir. Tracy MAN 17 1940 Mr. Egan Mr. Gurnea Mr. Harbo Mr. Mohr Mr. Pennington ... Mr. Quinn Tamm. Mr. Nease.... 7. NYC 3 FROM BA 4-01 PM AHS 17 Miss Gandy. DIRECTOR, SACS NEWY YORK CÎTY AND WASHINGTON FIELD URGENT JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL, PERJURY, IS - R., ESPIONAGE - R. RENYTEL JANUARY TWELFTH REGARDING DON'TILGHMAN. WILLIAM H. DE COURCY TILGHMAN, BALTIMORE, SISTER-IN-LAW OF DON ADVIS TODAY THAT DON PRESENTLY RESIDING IN APARTMENT AT ONE FOUR FOUR EAST FORTY FIFTH ST., NYC, TELEPHONE VANDERBILT SIX DASH FOUR ONE FOUR-SEVEN. SUGGEST WFO FURNISH BACKGROUND INFO ON TILGHMAN FROM STATE DEPARTMENT RECORDS, REQUESTED IN REFTEL TO NYC TO FACILITATE THE INTERVIEW WITH HIM. Er. MC FARLIN **END** WA TWO COPIES WFO 5,2 r. 4 Ny 2 8 19

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THE TAVERN LOCATED MAIN STREET, PETERBOROUGH, N. H. MATTHEW L.

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SEVEN GUEST REGISTRATIONS LEFT WITH SUCCEDING OWNER AT THE TAVERN,

CHARLES BISHOP. THE PRESENT OWNER ALBERT BATES, AND FORMER OWNER,

CAVANAUGH, MADE A SEARCH AT THE TAVERN WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NEW

HAVEN WILL LOCATE AND INTERVIEW CHARLES BISHOP OF NEW HAVEN, CONN.

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OF CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEL ALGER HISS AND MRS. WALTER LOUCHWEIM REFLECTS THAT

IN SEPT., FORTYEIGHT HISS STATED THAT AFTER RECEIVING A MEMO ABOUT A NATIONAL

DOCUMENTARY FILM LEAGUE FROM MRS. LOUCHHEIM HE HAD SENT IT TO RUTH INGLIS AT

THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON WHO HAD REPLIED THAT THE WAS SENDING A COPY TO

EASTON. HISS EXPLAINED THAT QUOTE EASTON IS EASTON ROTHWELL, THE DEPUTY

DIRECTOR OF THE HOOVER INSTITUTE AT STANFORD, WHO IS COLLARCHATING WITH US

IN THE MOVIE SURVEY UNQUOTE. INTERVIEW ROTHWELL FOR ANY TYPING SPECIMENS

RECEIVED FROM WISH UNGLOOPE. BECTWELL SHOULD BE ASKED IF VISITED HISS

HOME AND NOTED ANY TYPEWRITERS. NAMES OF HISS ASSOCIATES AND FRIENDS SHOULD

BE SECURED AND TIEY INTERVIEWD. IF ROTHWELL KNEW HISS PRIOR TO MINETEEN

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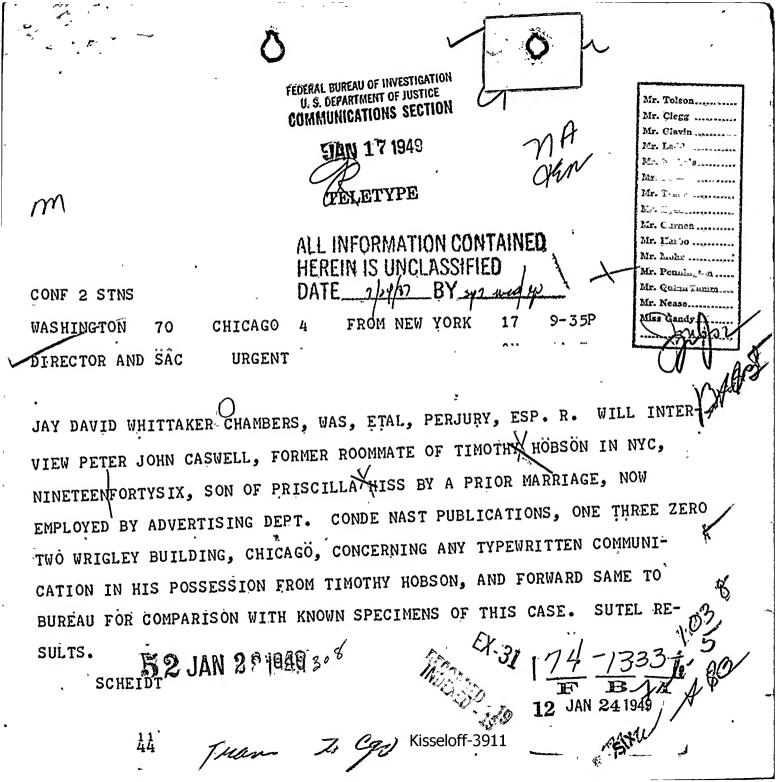
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Attached herewith for comparison with questioned documents in instant case, are two typewriting specimens described as a letter dated August 21, 1948 on the letterhead of the Carnegie Indomment for International Peace addressed to "Dear Mr. SAVOY" and signed E. B. SAYRE; and letter bearing the same letterhead dated August 31, 1948, addressed to "Dear PREVI", and signed "ALGER".

Upon completion of the requested examination, these two specimens should be returned to the Washington Field Office for proper disposal.

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BOTH BELIEVE LOO, LOTUS AND AMATNEEK COULD OFFER INFO RE FELIX-S EMPLOYMENT

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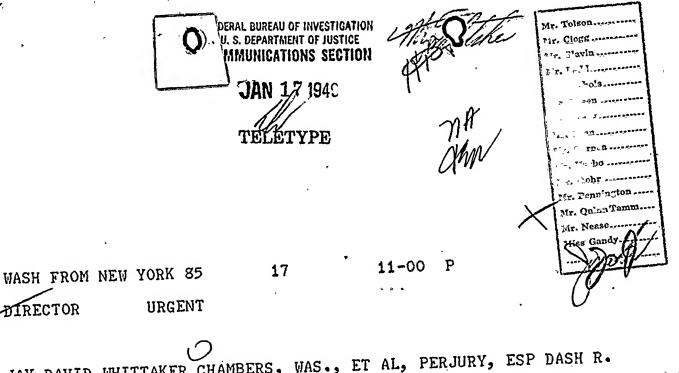
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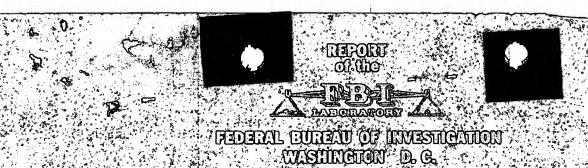
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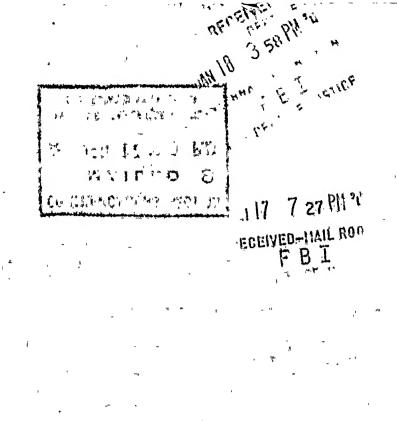
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BY ONE BERNIE IN PHILA. JUNE, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN. RENO EMPLOYED

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LEAVE. RENO ADMITS JOINING CP IN RICHMOND, VIRGINIA NINETEEN THIRTY

FIVE WHILE STUDENT AT UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA. ALSO ACTED AS CP ORGAN-

IZER IN WASHINGTON, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX. RENO ADMITTED MEETING CHAMBERS

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TRIC PERSONALITY. HE COLLABORATED WITH PROFESSOR EDWARD MC SHANE AND JOHN L. KELLEY, FORMER EMPLOYEES AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, IN WRITING BOOK ENTITLED, "EXTERIOR BALLISTICS UP TO NINETEEN FORTY FIVE." PHILIP RENO, BROTHER OF FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO, ALSO ADMITS FORMER ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN CP IN COLORADO. FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO BORN MAY THIRTEEN, NINETEEN ELEVEN SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH. INVESTIGATION ENDEAVORING TO DEVELOP FURTHER CP AND ESPIONAGE ACTIVITY OF FRANKLIN VICTOR RENO WHILE EMPLOYEE AT ABERDEEN PROVING GROUNDS, PARTICULARLY IN POSSIBLE REMOVAL OF CLASSIFIED MATERIAL FROM BALLISTICS RESEARCH LABORATORY WHERE RENO WAS EMPLOYED SINCE NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN.

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